

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

### REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS ON THE ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018.

I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs, have the honour to present this report on the Bill further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2018] (Private Member's Bill) referred to the Standing Committee on 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.

2. The Committee comprises the following members: -

1. Mr. Mujahid Ali	Chairman
2. Mr. Junaid Akbar	Member
3. Mr. Jawad Hussain	Member
4. Mr. Mansoor Hayat Khan	Member
5. Mr. Aftab Hussain Siddiqui	Member
6. Ms. Maleeka Ali Bokhari	Member
7. Ms. Rukhsana Naveed	Member
8. Mst. Shaheen Naz Saifullah	Member
9. Ms. Zille Huma	Member
10. Ms. Fouzia Behram	Member
11. Mr. Moonis Elahi	Member
12. Ch. Mehmood Bashir Virk	Member
13. Rana Sana Ullah Khan	Member
14. Rana Mubashir Iqbal	Member
15. Mr. Abdul Rehman Khan Kanju	Member
16. Mr. Aftab Shahban Mirani	Member
17. Ms. Shagufta Jumani	Member
18. Mr. Mahesh Kumar Malani	Member
19. Ms. Shams-Un-Nisa	Member
20. Moulana Abdul Akbar Chitrali	Member
21. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee considered the Bill, as introduced in the National Assembly placed at Annex-A, in its meetings held on 19<sup>th</sup> February and 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2019. The Committee unanimously recommends that the Bill may not be considered for passage by the Assembly.

Sd/-  
(MUJAHID ALI)

Chairman

Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs

Sd/-  
(TAHIR HUSSAIN)

Secretary

Islamabad, the 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2019

[AS INTRODUCED IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY]

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**BILL**

further to amend the Elections Act, 2017

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 (XXXIII of 2017) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1. Short title and Commencement.-** (1) This Act may be called the Elections (Amendment) Act, 2018.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Substitution of section 27, Act XXXIII of 2017.-** In the Elections Act, 2017 (XXXIII of 2017), for section 27, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

**“27. Place of Residence-** Notwithstanding anything contained in this Chapter, the registration of a voter at an address other than the permanent or temporary address mentioned in his National Identity Card shall remain valid till he applies for transfer of his vote or for modification or renewal of his National Identity Card in which case his vote shall be registered according to the temporary or permanent address mentioned in the National Identity Card.”.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

The purpose of this amendment is to save hundreds of thousands of masses in the country from a futile exercise by which elders, women and youth will have to pass through the practice of registering their votes afresh and have to get their addresses changed in their identity Cards. Though, government employees have been exempted but their children are not entitled to avail this exemption and they would have to submit application afresh to get their names registered in the voters list after the 31st December, 2018.

The Bill has been designed to achieve the above said objectives.

Sd/-

**Moulana Abdul Akbar Chitrali**  
Member, National Assembly