

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LAW AND JUSTICE ON THE PROTECTION OF PARENTS ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO.XII) 2021

1, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Law and Justice, have the honour to present this report on the Bill to provide for the protection of parents [The Protection of Parents Bill, 2021] (Government's Bill) referred to the Committee on 7th June, 2021.

2. The Committee comprises the following:-

1. Mr. Riaz Fatyana	Chairman
2. Mr. Atta Ullah	Member
3. Mr. Lal Chand	Member
4. Mr. Muhammad Farooq Azam Malik	Member
5. Ms. Kishwer Zehra	Member
6. Ms. Maleeka Ali Bokhari	Member
7. Mr. Muhammad Sana Ullah Khan Masti Khel	Member
8. Malik Muhammad Ehsan Ullah Tiwana	Member
9. Agha Hassan Baloch	Member
10. Mr. Junaid Akbar	Member
11. Ms. Shunila Ruth	Member
12. Mr. Mohsin Nawaz Ranjha	Member
13. Rana Sana Ullah Khan	Member
14. Ch. Mehmood Bashir Virk	Member
15. Mr. Usman Ibrahim	Member
16. Khawaja Saad Rafique	Member
17. Mr. Qadir Khan Mandokhail	Member
18. Syed Naveed Qamar	Member
19. Dr. Nafisa Shah	Member
20. Ms. Aliya Kamran	Member
21. Barrister Dr. Muhammad Farogh Naseem Minister for Law and Justice	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee considered the Bill as introduced in the National Assembly placed at (Annex-A), in its meetings held on 14th July, 8th September, 9th September and 16th September, 2021. The Committee made the following amendment their in.-

Clause 4

In clause 4, in subclause (5), for "full top" at the end "Colon" shall be substituted and thereafter the following three provisos shall be added, namely: -
"Provided that before issuance of a notice to the child, the Deputy Commissioner, where he deems expedient, may initiate a process of mediation between parties with the aid of the Chairman or Administrator, as the case may be, of the concerned Union Council.

Provided further that the mediation shall stand closed if it is not concluded within 15 days from the date of complaint.

Provided further that the 15 days period may be extended for such period as may be offered by the Complainant in writing.”

4. The Committee recommends that the Bill as reported by the Standing Committee placed at **Annex-B**, may be passed by the National Assembly. However, dissent note of Mr. Qadir Khan Mandukhail MNA, is placed at **Annex-C**.

Sd/-
TAHIR HUSSAIN
Secretary
Islamabad, the 27th September, 2021

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(RIAZ FATYANA)
Chairman

ORDINANCE No. XII OF 2021

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ORDINANCE

to provide for the protection of parents;

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the protection of parents from being expelled or evicted from houses, to provide for offences and punishments in this regard and for matters ancillary thereto;

AND WHEREAS the Senate and the National Assembly are not in session and the President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of Article 89 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:—

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This Ordinance may be called the Protection of Parents Ordinance, 2021.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Definitions.**—In this Ordinance, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context:—

(a) “Code” means the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (Act V of 1898);

(b) “Court of Sessions” means the court of Sessions Judge, Additional Sessions Judge or Assistant Sessions Judge, as the case may be;

(c) “Child” means a direct descendant, over the age of eighteen years and includes any offspring of any age of such descendant;

(d) “house” means space or accommodation occupied for residential purposes and includes a bungalow or a flat;

(e) “parent” means a mother or a father or a grandmother or a grandfather.

3. **Punishment for eviction of parents.**—Where a child, his spouse or offspring, evicts or expels a parent from a house, whether owned or rented by such child, or in his possession by any other means, he shall be punished with rigorous imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or with fine or with both.