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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY AND RESEARCH ON "THE ISLAMABAD BEE-KEEPING AND HONEY BOARD BILL, 2021"

I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research, have the honor to present this report on the Bill further to amend ["The Islamabad Bee-Keeping and Honey Board Bill, 2021"] (Private Member's Bill) referred to the Committee on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021.

2. The Committee comprises the following: -

1.	<b>Rao Muhammad Ajmal Khan</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
2.	Mr. Shaukat Ali	Member
3.	Mr. Rai Muhammad Murtaza Iqbal	Member
4.	Mr. Zahoor Hussain Qureshi	Member
5.	Mr. Ahmed Hussain Deharr	Member
6.	Makhdoom Zain Hussain Qureshi	Member
7.	Mr. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan	Member
8.	Mian Muhammad Shafiq	Member
9.	Syed Mobeen Ahmed	Member
10.	Sardar Muhammad Jaffar Khan Leghari	Member
11.	Sardar Riaz Mehmood Khan Mazari	Member
12.	Dr. Nausheen Hamid	Member
13.	Mr. Ahmad Raza Maneka	Member
14.	Chaudhary Muhammad Ashraf	Member
15.	Choudhary Faqir Ahmad	Member
16.	Mr. Riaz ul Haq	Member
17.	Syed Javed Ali Shah Jillani	Member
18.	Syed Ayaz Ali Shah Sheerazi	Member
19.	Mr. Kamal Ud-din	Member
20.	Mr. Zulfiqar Bachani	Member
21.	Syed Fakhar Imam	Ex-Officio Member
	Minister for National Food Security and Research	

3. The Committee considered the Bill as introduced in the National Assembly placed at Annex-A, in its meetings held on 15<sup>th</sup> March, 12<sup>th</sup> April, 7<sup>th</sup> June, and 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. The Committee unanimously recommended that the Bill, as introduced may be passed by the National Assembly.

Sd/-  
(Tahir Hussain)

Secretary  
Islamabad the 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2021

Sd/-  
(Rao Muhammad Ajmal Khan)  
Chairman

[AS REPORTED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE]

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Bill

for proper regulation of honeybees and beekeeping and safe production of honey

**WHEREAS** it is expedient to provide for the regulation of honeybees and beekeeping; to protect the health of honey bees from pests and diseases and to ensure the compliance upon standard requirements of safe production of honey in the territorial limits of Islamabad Capital Territory and for matters ancillary thereto,

**WHEREAS** it is expedient to form an autonomous Bee-keeping Development Board to oversee the development of bee-keeping in ICT.

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1. Short title, extent and commencement.-** (1) This Act shall be called Islamabad Bee-keeping and Honey Board Act 2021.

(2) It extends to the Islamabad Capital Territory.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Definitions.-** In this Act unless anything is repugnant to the subject or content,-

(a) "Board" means "Islamabad Bee-keeping and Honey Board"

(b) "Managing Committee" means the Managing Committee of the Board constituted as per the rules made under this act.

(c) "Member" means a member of the Board.

(d) "Chairman" means Chairman of the Board.

(e) "Vice-Chairman" means Vice-Chairman of the Board

(f) "Executive Director" means Executive Director of the Board and includes any person appointed and authorized to perform the duties of the Executive Director.

(g) "Member" Secretary means the Member Secretary of Managing Committee and the Board.

(h) "Year" means the Financial Year i.e. July to June.

(i) "Founder Member" means the members for the life and who are the signatories to the Memorandum of Association of the Board. Founder Members could be a corporate body or a society or an Association of persons, or a partnership firm, or an individual.

(j) "By-laws" mean any by-laws which may be made by the Managing Committee from time to time in exercise of the powers under the Rules.

(k) "NARC" means National Agricultural and Research Council'.

(l) "ICT" means Islamabad Capital Territory.

**3. Board and its Committees.-** The Board shall have a Managing Committee and such other committee(s) or sub-committee(s) as may be decided by the Managing Committee of the Board from time to time.

**4. Membership of the Board.-** (1) The Board shall comprise of –

(a) **Secretary**, Ministry of National Food Security & Research, shall be the **ex-officio Chairman** of the Board;

(b) **Additional Secretary**, Ministry of National Food Security & Research, shall be the **ex-officio Vice-Chairman** of the Board;

(c) **An Officer not below the rank of Joint Secretary**, in NARC, to be the **ex-officio Member Secretary** of the Board;

(d) **All Members** who shall be registered Life Members of the following categories:

(i) Founder Members;

(ii) Corporate Members;

(iii) Beekeeping and Honey Societies;

(iv) Individual Bee-Keepers;

(v) Apiculture Scientists and Development Workers;

(vi) Bee-keeping Equipment Manufacturers, Wholesalers/ Traders and Packers of Bee products;

(vii) Honorary Members from any related discipline i.e. Bee-keeping, finance or legal experts.

(2) **Executive Director** of the Board who shall be a person appointed and authorized to perform the duties of the post.

(3) Founder Member and Corporate Member shall pay their subscription at the prescribed rates as decided by the Managing Committee.

(4) Members of the other categories shall pay an annual subscription as decided by the Managing Committee of the Board from time to time.

(5) The subscription shall be payable by the different categories of members before the expiry of the financial year. Subscription for full year will be chargeable if the member acquires membership in the first half of the financial year. However, half of the yearly subscription will be chargeable if the member acquires membership in the second half of the financial year.

(6) Honorary Members shall be exempted from the payment of subscription.

(7) A Member shall cease to be member in the event of any of the following:

(a) Member resigning his membership and his resignation being accepted by the Managing Committee.

(b) Member's failure to pay yearly subscription for two consecutive years.

(c) In a general body, the Board finding by a Two Third majority vote that the continuance of the member is against the interests of the Board.

(d) On his death, incapacitation, insolvency or conviction for an offence involving moral turpitude.

**5. Functions of the Board.**-(1) The board shall perform the following functions:

(i) To organize and promote bee keeping, honey and other bee products industry in the ICT.

(ii) To promote and regulate domestic and export market of honey and other allied products.