

[AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY]

BILL

Further to amend the Emigration Ordinance, 1979

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Emigration Ordinance, 1979 (XVIII) of 1979), in the manner and for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.** – This Act shall be called the Emigration (Amendment) Act, 2023.

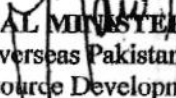
(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 15, Ordinance XVIII of 1979.** – In the Emigration Ordinance, 1979 (XVIII of 1979), in section 15, after the word “person”, occurring for the second time, the words “or in the prescribed manner through video link or such other modern devices” shall be inserted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Ministry of Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development (OP&HRD) regulates the export of manpower abroad through Emigration Ordinance, 1979. The Bill seeks to amend Section 15 of the Emigration Ordinance, 1979. The said amendments are being carried out in order to facilitate the intending emigrants by allowing them to appear in person or appear virtually for registration of names by Protector of Emigrants, which have been specified in the Emigration (Amendment) Act, 2023 duly vetted by Law and Justice Division.

2. The Bill seeks to achieve the aforesaid objects.


FEDERAL MINISTER
Ministry of Overseas Pakistanis and
Human Resource Development.