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**PART III**

**Other Notifications, Orders, etc.**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**

*Islamabad, the 16th May, 2025*

No. F. 23(33)/2025-Legis.—Pursuant to rule 235 (4) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, the following report of the Standing Committee, presented to the National Assembly on 16th May, 2025 are published for information:-

**REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE ON THE  
TRADE ORGANIZATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2025**

I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Commerce, have the honour to present this report on the Bill further to amend the Trade Organizations Act, 2013 (II of 2013), [The Trade Organization (Amendment) Bill, 2025], (Private Member Bill), referred to the Committee on 13th May, 2025.

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2. The Committee comprises of the following: -

1.	Mr. Muhammad Jawed Hanif Khan	Chairman
2.	Mr. Rashid Akber Khan	Member
3.	Choudhary Iftikhar Nazir	Member
4.	Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb	Member
5.	Ms. Shaista Pervaiz	Member
6.	Ms. Kiran Haider	Member
7.	Mr. Khurshid Ahmed Junejo	Member
8.	Mir Amir Ali Khan Magsi	Member
9.	Mr. Asad Alam Niazi	Member
10.	Dr. Mirza Ikhtiar Baig	Member
11.	Mr. Farhan Chishti	Member
12.	Mr. Hussain Ellahi	Member
13.	Mr. Gul Asghar Khan	Member
14.	Mr. Muhammad Atif	Member
15.	Mr. Mohammad Ahmed Chattha	Member
16.	Mr. Muhammad Mobeen Arif	Member
17.	Mr. Usama Ahmed Mela	Member
18.	Rana Atif	Member
19.	Mr. Muhammad Ali Sarfraz	Member
20.	Minister for Commerce	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee considered the Bill, as introduced in the National Assembly, placed at 'Annex-A', in its meeting held on 14-05-2025 and recommended that the Bill, as introduced may be passed by the National Assembly.

Sd/-  
(TAHIR HUSSAIN)  
Secretary General  
Islamabad, the 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2025

Sd/-  
(MUHAMMAD JAWED HANIF KHAN)  
Chairman

Annexure-A

[AS REPORTED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE]

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*further to amend the Trade Organizations Act, 2013*

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Trade Organization Act, 2013 (II of 2013) in the manner and for the purposes hereinafter appearing:-

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

I. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This Act shall be called the Trade Organizations (Amendment) Bill, 2025,

(2) This Act shall come into force at once and shall be always deemed to have taken effect on and from commencement of the Trade Organizations (Amendment) Act, 2025 (IV of 2025).

2. **Amendment of section-II, Act II of 2013.**—In the Trade Organizations Act, 2013 (II of 2013), in section 11, sub-section (IA) shall be omitted.

### STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The election for the federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and industry (FGCCI) was held in 2024 with the tenure lasting until December 31, 2025 however, next elections is Scheduled for December 2025. The burning issue of the FPCCI was effectively addressed by extending the tenure of its members from one year to two years through the trade Organizations (Amendment) Act, 2022 for the smooth operations of the FPCCI as well as other trade organizations.

2. It is submitted that a new issue arose after the enactment of the Trade Organizations (Amendment) Act, 2025, (IV of 2025). Under the Trade Organizations (Amendment) Act, 2025, the two years tenure for office bearers under sub-section (1) of section 11 shall apply only to those elected on or after the enactment of the trade organizations (Amendment) Act, 2025, (IV of 2025). Furthermore, the Act stipulates that elections for all trade organizations should be afresh after the enactment of the Trade Organizations (Amendment) Act, 2025, (IV of 2025). This provision is disruptive to the smooth functioning of trade bodies, particularly the federation, chambers, and Association.

3. It is in the interest of the organizations and all trade bodies that the election to be conducted in accordance with the Trade Organizations (Amendment) Act, 2022, to ensure the continued smooth operation of bodies established under the Act. Therefore, it is essential to omit sub-section (1A) of section 11 of the Trade Organizations Act, 2013, as inserted by the Trade Organizations (Amendment) Act, 2025, (IV of 2025) from the date of its enactment.

4. The bill has been designed to achieve the aforementioned objectives.

Sd/-  
(SYED ALI QASIM GILLANI)  
*Member, National Assembly.*

TAHIR HUSSAIN,  
*Secretary General.*