

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

### REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, REVENUE, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, STATISTICS AND PRIVATIZATION ON THE GENERAL STATISTICS (REORGANIZATION) (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2016

I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization have the honour to present this Report on the Bill further to amend the General Statistics (Reorganization) Act, 2011 (Act No. XIV of 2011) [The General Statistics (Reorganization) (Amendment) Bill, 2016] (Private Member's Bill) moved by Mr. Aftab Ahmad Khan Sherpao, MNA and referred to the Committee on 16-08-2016.

2. The Committee comprises the following Members:-

(1).	Mr. Qaiser Ahmad Sheikh	Chairman
(2).	Mr. Saeed Ahmed Khan Manais	Member
(3).	Rana Shamim Ahmed Khan	Member
(4).	Mr. Daniyal Aziz	Member
(5).	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik	Member
(6).	Mr. Muhammad Tallal Chaudry	Member
(7).	Dr. Shezra Mansab Ali Khan Kharal	Member
(8).	Mr. Mohsin Shah Nawaz Ranjha	Member
(9).	Sheikh Fayyaz-ud-Din	Member
(10).	Mian Abdul Mannan	Member
(11).	Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja	Member
(12).	Ms. Leila Khan	Member
(13).	Syed Naveed Qamar	Member
(14).	Dr. Nafisa Shah	Member
(15).	Syed Mustafa Mehmud	Member
(16).	Mr. Jehangir Khan Tareen	Member
(17).	Mr. Asad Umar	Member
(18).	Mr. Muhammad Ali Rashid	Member
(19).	Mr. Abdul Rashid Godil	Member
(20).	Mr. Aftab Ahmad Khan Sherpao	Member
(21).	Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee in its meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2016, considered the Bill in detail and recommended that the Bill as introduced in the National Assembly and reported by the Committee, (**Annex-A**) may be passed by the National Assembly.

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**(QAISER AHMAD SHEIKH)**

Chairman  
Standing Committee on  
Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs,  
Statistics and Privatization

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**(ABDUL JABBAR ALI)**

Secretary  
Islamabad, the 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2017

[AS REPORTED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE]

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**BILL**

*to amend the General Statistics (Reorganization) Act, 2011*

**WHEREAS** it is expedient to amend the General Statistics (Reorganization) Act, 2011 (XIV of 2011) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1. Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act may be called the General Statistics (Reorganization) (Amendment) Act, 2016.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment of section 6, Act XIV of 2011.**—In the General Statistics (Reorganization) Act, 2011 (XIV of 2011), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 6,—

(a) in sub-section (1), for the word “seven”, the word “eleven” shall be substituted; and

(b) in sub-section (3),—

(i) in paragraph (a), in sub-paragraph (iii), the word “and” shall be omitted; and

(ii) in paragraph (b), for full stop at the end a semicolon and the word “and” shall be substituted and thereafter the following new paragraph shall be added namely:-

“(c) one member from each Province shall be appointed by the Federal Government in consultation with the relevant Provincial Government.”

**3. Amendment of section 31, Act XIV of 2011.**— In the said Act, in section 31, for the words and commas “may, from time to time,” the words and commas “shall, at least once ten years,” shall be substituted.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

It has been eighteen years since a population census was held in Pakistan and there is a need to set a maximum time frame of ten years in which a census must be held in the country to avoid such situations. With the rights of the Provinces being dependent upon an accurate and timely census being held, there is also a need to give the Provinces representation in the Governing Council of the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics.

Sd/-

**MR. AFTAB AHMAD KHAN SHERPAO**  
MEMBER, NATIONAL ASSEMBLY