

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

Subject: - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LAW AND JUSTICE ON THE CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015

I, the Chairman of Standing Committee on Law and Justice, have the honor to present this report on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2015] (Private Member's Bill) referred to the Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.

2. The Committee comprises of the following: -

1)	Chaudhry Mahmood Bashir Virk	Chairman
2)	Justice (Retd.) Iftikhar Ahmad Cheema	Member
3)	Chaudhary Muhammad Ashraf	Member
4)	Rana Muhammad Afzal Khan	Member
5)	Mr. Muhammad Moeen Wattoo	Member
6)	Mr. Muhammad Raza Hayat Harraj	Member
7)	Sardar Muhammad Amjad Farooq Khan Khosa	Member
8)	Ms. Kiran Haider	Member
9)	Syed Imran Ahmad Shah	Member
10)	Ms. Asiya Naz Tanoli	Member
11)	Mr. Rajab Ali Khan Baloch	Member
12)	Syed Naveed Qamar	Member
13)	Mr. Muhammad Ayaz Soomro	Member
14)	Ms. Shagufta Jumani	Member
15)	Mr. Shahab-ud-Din Khan	Member
16)	Eng. Ali Muhammad Khan Advocate	Member
17)	Dr. Arif Alvi	Member
18)	Mr. S.A Iqbal Quadri	Member
19)	Moulana Muhammad Khan Sherani	Member
20)	Ms. Aisha Syed	Member
21)	Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee considered the Bill placed at Annex-A, in its meetings held on 28-12-2015, 27-01-2016, 01-03-2016, 30-05-2016, 30-06-2016, 05-04-2017 and 16-10-2017. The Committee recommends that the Bill may not be passed by the Assembly.

Sd/-  
(JAWAD RAFIQUE MALIK)  
Secretary  
*Islamabad, the 08<sup>th</sup> November, 2017*

Sd/-  
(CHAUDHRY MAHMOOD BASHIR VIRK)  
Chairman Standing Committee on  
Law and Justice

[AS REPORTED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE]

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further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) This Act may be called the Constitution (Amendment) Act, 2015.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of Article 63.- In the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, after Article 63 A the following, new Article shall be inserted, namely:-

“63B. Disqualification on certain grounds.- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Constitution or any other law for the time being in force, a person shall be disqualified from service in Pakistan or holding any office in any organization, including members of the armed forces and judiciary, whether wholly or partly owned or controlled by the Federal or Provincial Government or being elected or chosen as a member of Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament) or Provincial Assembly or local government if:

(a) he maintains an account in any bank or financial institution in a foreign country whether in his own name, or in the name of his spouse, children or dependents or as the case may be which has not been declared and accounted for; or

(b) holds a dual nationality or has a permanent resident status of any other country whether in his own name, or in the name of his spouse, children or dependents or as the case may be; or

(c) holds an office of profit or interest in any company or organization established in a foreign country whether in his own name, or in the name of his spouse, children or dependents or as the case may be, which has not been declared or accounted for; or

(d) owns any property whether free hold, lease hold or even in the form of license, assets, shares or any interest in any company based in a foreign country, whether in his own name, or in the name of his spouse, children or dependents or as the case may be which has not been declared and accounted for; and

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(e) carries out business including any commercial activity in any organization or establishment based in a foreign country whether in his own name, or in the name of his spouse, children or dependents or as the case may be which has not been declared or accounted for:

Provided that the aforesaid amendment shall be effective after an expiry of one year from the date of commencement of this Act.

#### **STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

This Bill is for the people who have faith in Pakistan and for the people who believe in Pakistan. It will strengthen democracy and its institutions. It is an attempt to preempt a revolting situation which may give rise to turmoil within our country.

This Bill will eradicate the misery of those under privileged who are unaware of their association with their motherland. Situation once again necessitates that we should rise for the resurrection and fulfill the dream of our Quaid and ancestors. We should earn respect, not for ourselves but for our Pakistan.

**Sd/-**  
**Mr. Muhammad Raza Hayat**  
**Hiraj,**  
**Member, National Assembly.**