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PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOME AFFAIRS REGARDING THE PUNJAB FORENSIC SCIENCE AGENCY (AMENDMENT) BILL 2015 (BILL NO. 3 OF 2016)

The Punjab Forensic Science Agency (Amendment) Bill 2015 (Bill No.3 of 2016) was referred to the Standing Committee on Home Affairs on 1st February 2016. The Committee considered the Bill in its meetings held on 15 and 16 March 2016.

2. The following were present:—

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| 1. | Makdum Syed Muhammad Masood Alam, MPA (PP-285) | Chairman |
| 2. | Mehr Ijaz Ahmad Achalana, MPA (PP-265)/
Parliamentary Secretary for Home | <i>ex-officio</i> Member |
| 3. | Chaudhry Lal Hussain, MPA (PP-26) | Member |
| 4. | Major (Retd) Moeen Nawaz Warraich, MPA (PP-109) | Member |
| 5. | Rana Muhammad Afzal, MPA (PP-128) | Member |
| 6. | Mr Awais Qasim Khan, MPA (PP-132)
(attended on 15 March 2016) | Member |
| 7. | Mr Muhammad Siddique Khan, MPA (PP-7)
(attended on 15 March 2016) | Member |

3. Mr Asadullah Faiz, Additional Secretary/Special Secretary, Home Department and Mr Mohsin Abbas Syed, Director, Law and Parliamentary Affairs Department represented their Departments. Hafiz Muhammad Shafiq Adil, Special Secretary, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab functioned as Secretary to the Committee.

4. The Additional Secretary, Home Department apprised the Committee about the aims and objects of the Bill. He said that it was necessary to amend the Punjab Forensic Science Agency Act 2007 (XIII of 2007) for purposes of empowering the Government to extend the term of the Director General if special circumstances so required. He requested the Committee that the Bill, as introduced, may be recommended to be passed by the Assembly.

5. The Committee after hearing the Members, having the view point of the Administrative Department and discussing various points, unanimously decided to recommend that the Bill may be passed by the Assembly subject to the following amendment:—

AMENDMENT IN THE BILL

CLAUSE 1

in sub-clause (1), the figures “2015” be substituted by the figures “2016”.

6. A copy of the bill as introduced in the Assembly is at Annexure-A and a copy of the Bill as recommended by the Committee is at Annexure-B.

(MAKDUM SYED MUHAMMAD MASOOD ALAM)

Lahore

16 March 2016

Chairman

Standing Committee on Home Affairs

Mumtaz Hussain

Lahore

16 March 2016

(RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR)

Secretary

PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB

Bill No. 3 of 2016

THE PUNJAB FORENSIC SCIENCE AGENCY (AMENDMENT) BILL 2015

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Bill

to amend the Punjab Forensic Science Agency Act, 2007.

It is necessary to amend the Punjab Forensic Science Agency Act, 2007 (XIII of 2007) for purposes of empowering the Government to extend the term of the Director General if special circumstances so require.

Be it enacted by Provincial Assembly of the Punjab as follows:

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act may be cited as the Punjab Forensic Science Agency (Amendment) Act 2015.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment in section 7 of Act XIII of 2007.**— In the Punjab Forensic Science Agency Act, 2007 (XIII of 2007), in section 7, for subsection (3), the following shall be substituted:

"(3) The Director General shall hold office for a term of five years but the Government may, in special circumstances, extend the term of office of the Director General for such period as it may determine."

3. **Repeal.**— The Punjab Forensic Science Agency (Amendment) Ordinance, 2015 (XXXV of 2015) is hereby repealed.

MINISTER INCHARGE

Lahore:
1st February 2016

RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR
Secretary

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