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PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CULTURE AND YOUTH AFFAIRS REGARDING THE LAHORE ARTS COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL 2015 (BILL NO.9 OF 2015)

The Lahore Arts Council (Amendment) Bill 2015 (Bill No.9 of 2015) was referred to the Standing Committee on Culture and Youth Affairs on 12 February 2015. The Committee considered the bill in its meeting held on 18 March 2015.

2. The following were present:—

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| 1. | Mr Muhammad Umar Jaffar, MPA (PP-293) | Acting Chairman |
| 2. | Mr Muhammad Naeem Safdar Ansari, MPA (PP-177) | Member |
| 3. | Mr Amir Hayat Hiraj, MPA (PP-216) | Member |
| 4. | Ms Mary Gill, MPA (W-334) | Member |
| 5. | Mr Mohsin Latif, MPA (PP-147) | Member |

3. Mr Tahir Raza, Additional Secretary (Information), Information and Culture Department and Mr Mohsin Bukhari, Deputy 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. Since Peerzada Mian Shaluzad Maqbool Bhutta, MPA (PP-198) Chairman, Standing Committee on Culture and Youth Affairs, could not attend the meeting of the Committee due to some other engagements, Mr Muhammad Umar Jaffar, MPA (PP-293), in terms of rule 151(2) of the Rules of Procedure of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab, 1997, was chosen to act as Chairman for the sitting dated 18 March 2015.

5. The Additional Secretary, Information and Culture Department apprised the Committee about the aims and objects of the bill. He said that it was expedient to provide a better governing statute, as well as better management, including overall control and supervision of the affairs of the Lahore Art Council, the Government had decided to omit the expression that “non official member shall be appointed for two consecutive terms.” He requested the Committee that the bill, as introduced, may be recommended to be passed by the Assembly.

6. The Committee after hearing the Members, having the view point of the Administrative Department as well as Law and Parliamentary Affairs Department and discussing various points, unanimously decided to recommend that the bill as introduced, may be passed by the Assembly.

7. A copy of the bill as introduced in the Assembly and as such recommended by the Committee is at Annexure.

Lahore
18 March 2015

(MUHAMMAD UMAR JAFFAR)
Acting Chairman
Standing Committee on
Culture and Youth Affairs

Lahore
18 March 2015

Mumtaz Hussain
(RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR)
Secretary

ANNEXURE

(BILL AS INTRODUCED AND RECOMMENDED BY THE STANDING
COMMITTEE ON CULTURE AND YOUTH AFFAIRS)
PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB

BILL NO. 9 OF 2015

THE LAHORE ARTS COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL 2015

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further to amend the Lahore Arts Council Ordinance, 2002 (LXIII of 2002).

Whereas it is expedient further to amend the Lahore Arts Council Ordinance, 2002 (LXIII of 2002) for purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is enacted as follows:

- 1. Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act may be cited as the Lahore Arts Council (Amendment) Act 2015.
(2) It shall come into force at once.
- 2. Amendment in section 8 of Ordinance LXIII of 2002.**— In the Lahore Arts Council Ordinance, 2002 (*LXIII of 2002*), in section 8, in subsection (1), the expression “No non-official member shall be appointed for two consecutive terms.”, occurring at the end, shall be omitted.
- 3. Repeal.**— The Lahore Arts Council (Amendment) Ordinance, 2015 (IX of 2015) is hereby repealed.

MINISTER INCHARGE

Lahore:
12 February 2015

RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR
Secretary