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PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS AND AUQAF REGARDING THE PUNJAB INSTITUTE OF QURA'N AND SEERAT STUDIES (AMENDMENT) BILL 2015 (BILL NO. 32 OF 2015)

The Punjab Institute of Qura'n and Seerat Studies (Amendment) Bill 2015 (Bill No. 32 of 2015) was referred to the Standing Committee on Religious Affairs and Auqaf on 10 June 2015. The Committee considered the Bill in its meeting held on 27 July 2015.

2. The following were present:-

1.	Mr Muhammad Shawez Khan, MPA (PP-17)	Chairman
2.	Mr Abu Hafs Muhammad Ghiyas-ud-Din, MPA (PP-133)	Member
3.	Al Haj Muhammad Ilyas Chinioti, MPA (PP-73)	Member
4.	Mrs Fozia Ayub Qureshi, MPA (W-343)	Member
5.	Dr Syed Waseem Akhtar, MPA (PP-271)	Member
6.	Khawaja Muhammad Nizam-ul-Mehmood, MPA (PP-241)	Member

3. Mr Shafiq Ahmad, Additional Secretary, Government of the Punjab, Auqaf and Religious Affairs 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. The Additional Secretary, Religious Affairs and Auqaf Department apprised the Committee about the aims and objects of the Bill. He said that the Government had decided to amend the Punjab Institute of Quran and Seerat Studies Act 2014 (XXIX of 2014) for purposes of rationalizing membership of the Board of Directors and Academic Council of the Institute. He requested the Committee that the Bill may be recommended for passage by the Assembly.

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

AMENDMENTS IN THE BILL

(1) CLAUSE 3

in the amendment at (a) (i), in the proposed clause (k) of subsection (1) of Section 5 of the Principal Act, the word "Madris", be substituted by the word "Madaris".

(2) CLAUSE 4

in the proposed clause (d) of subsection (2) of Section 12 of the Principal Act, the word "Madris", be substituted by the word "Madaris".

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.

Lahore
27 July 2015

(MUHAMMAD SHAWEZ KHAN)
Chairman
Standing Committee on Religious Affairs and Auqaf

Lahore
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Mumtaz Hussain
(RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR)
Secretary

PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB

Bill No. 32 of 2015

**THE PUNJAB INSTITUTE OF QURA'N AND SEERAT STUDIES
(AMENDMENT) BILL 2015****A
BILL***to amend the Punjab Institute of Qura'n and Seerat Studies Act 2014.*

It is expedient to amend the Punjab Institute of Quran and Seerat Studies Act 2014 (XXIX of 2014) for purposes of rationalizing membership of the Board of Directors and Academic Council of the Institute and for other purposes;

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

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(2) It shall come into force at once.

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"2. Definitions.— In this Act:

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- (e) "Institute" means Punjab Institute of Qura'n and Seerat Studies established under the Act; and
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3. Amendment in section 5 of Act XXIX of 2014.— In the said Act, in section 5:

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"(k) President and General Secretary of Members";
Ittehad Tanzimat-e-Madris-e-Pakistan;

(ii) after clause (k), the following clause (kk) shall be inserted:

"(kk) one eminent scholar to be Member".
nominated by the Government;

(b) for subsection (4), the following shall be substituted:

"(4) The Government shall nominate members of the Board, other than ex-officio members, for a term of two years but the member shall serve during the pleasure of the Government."

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"(d) one nominee of Ittehad Tanzimat-e-Madris-e-Pakistan;"

5. Repeal.— The Punjab Institute of Qura'n and Seerat Studies (Amendment) Ordinance, 2015 (XV of 2015) is hereby repealed.

MINISTER INCHARGE

Lahore:
10 June 2015

RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR
Secretary

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RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS AND AUQAF)**

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