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PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON REVENUE, RELIEF AND CONSOLIDATION REGARDING THE PUNJAB LAND REVENUE (AMENDMENT) BILL 2018 (BILL NO. 11 OF 2018)

The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill 2018 (Bill No.11 of 2018) was referred to the Standing Committee on Revenue, Relief and Consolidation on 28 February 2018. The Committee considered the Bill in its meetings held on 5 and 6 April 2018.

2. The following were present:-

1.	Mr Bilal Akbar Bhatti, MPA (PP-235)	Chairman
2.	Mrs Nazia Raheel, MPA (PP-88)	ex-officio Member
	Parliamentary Secretary for Revenue	
	(attended on 5 April 2018)	
3.	Mr Zulifqar Ali Khan, MPA (PP-22)	Member
4.	Mian Muhammad Shoaib Awaisi, MPA (PP-270)	Member
5.	Mr Ahmed Khan Bhacher, MPA (PP-45)	Member

- 3. Mr Liaqat Ali Bhatti, Secretary (Revenue) Board of Revenue, Punjab and Mr Abid Raza, Deputy Secretary (Legislation), Law and Parliamentary Affairs Department represented their Departments. Mr Faiz-ul-Basit, Additional Secretary (Committees), Provincial Assembly of the Punjab functioned as Secretary to the Committee.
- 4. Mr Liaqat Ali Bhatti, Secretary (Revenue) Board of Revenue, Punjab apprised the Committee about the aims and objects of the Bill. He stated that it was necessary further to amend the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1967 (XVII of 1967) for the purposes of harmonizing this Act with the Punjab Land Records Authority Act 2017. 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 as well as 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 amendment:-

AMENDMENT IN THE BILL

CLAUSE 4

in the rider Clause the word "said" occurring in line 1, be omitted.

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.

(BILAL AKBAR BHATTI)

Lahore 6 April 2018

Chairman
Standing Committee on Revenue, Relief and Consolidation

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RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR)

Secretary

(BILL AS INTRODUCED IN THE ASSEMBLY)

PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB

Bill No. 11 of 2018

THE PUNJAB LAND REVENUE (AMENDMENT) BILL 2018

A BILL

further to amend the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1967.

It is necessary further to amend the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1967 (XVII of 1967) for purposes of harmonizing the Act with the Punjab Land Records Authority Act 2017.

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 Land Revenue (Amendment) Act 2018.
 - (2) It shall come into force at once.
- 2. Amendment in section 4 of Act XVII of 1967.— In the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1967 (XVII of 1967), hereinafter referred to as the Act, in section 4:
 - (a) after clause (1), the following new clause (1a) shall be inserted: "(1a) "Arazi Record Centre" means an Arazi Record Centre
 - as defined in clause (a) of subsection (1) of section 2 of the Punjab Land Records Authority Act 2017 (VI of 2017);";
 - (b) clauses (23-A) and (23-B) shall be omitted; and
 - (c) in clause (28), the expression "Service Centre Officials" shall be omitted.
- 3. Amendment in section 24 of Act XVII of 1967.— In the Act, in section 24, in subsection (5), for the word "conformation", the word "confirmation" shall be substituted.
- 4. Amendment in section 42 of Act XVII of 1967.— In the said Act, in section 42:
 - (a) subsection (1-A), subsection (1-B) and subsection (1-C) shall be omitted; and
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 - (a) for subsection (1), the following shall be substituted:
 - "(1) With effect from the date notified under subsection (2) of section 41-A, a person acquiring a right in an estate by inheritance, purchase, mortgage, gift or otherwise as a land owner or a tenant for a term exceeding one year, shall, within three months from the date of the acquisition, report the acquisition of the right to the Arazi Record Centre.":
 - (b) in subsection (2), for the words "Service Centre Official", the words "Arazi Record Centre" shall be substituted;
 - (c) for subsection (3), the following shall be substituted:
 - "(3) Subject to subsection (4), the Arazi Record Centre shall take further necessary action on the report made under subsection (1) and subsection (2) in the manner as may be prescribed under the Punjab Land Records Authority Act 2017.";

- (d) for subsection (4), the following shall be substituted:
 - "(4) Until rules are made under the Punjab Land Records Authority Act 2017, the procedure provided in the rules made under the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1967 (XVII of 1967) shall be followed."; and
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 - "(1) Subject to subsection (2) and subsection (4), the Board of Revenue may fix the scale of fees for an entry in any record or register under this Chapter and also for provision of a copy of any such entries."; and
 - (b) after subsection (3), the following new subsection (4) shall be inserted:

 "(4) The Punjab Land Records Authority
 established under the Punjab Land Records Authority
 Act 2017 (VI of 2017) may fix the scale of fees for a
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 records."
- **8.** Amendment in section 48 of Act XVII of 1967.—In the Act, in section 48, in subsection (2), for the words "Service Centre Official", the words "Arazi Record Centre" shall be substituted.
- 9. Amendment in section 55 of Act XVII of 1967.— In the Act, in section 55:
 - (a) in clause (d), after the semi-colon, the word "and" shall be inserted;
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STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Bill *inter alia* seeks to harmonize the Punjab Land Revenue Act 1967 with the provisions of Punjab Land Records Authority Act 2017 by amendment of the relevant sections including sections 4, 42, 42-A, 43, 46, 48, 55 and 177 of the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1967. Hence the Bill.

MINISTER INCHARGE

Lahore: 28 February 2018

RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR Secretary

(BILL AS RECOMMENDED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON REVENUE, RELIEF AND CONSOLIDATION)

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