

CONFIDENTIAL

Not to be released for publication in the press before presentation to the Assembly

PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON SERVICES AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION REGARDING THE PUNJAB OVERSEAS PAKISTANIS COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) BILL 2015 (BILL NO.18 OF 2015)

The Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission (Amendment) Bill 2015 (Bill No.18 of 2015) was referred to the Standing Committee on Services and General Administration on 27 March 2015. The Committee considered the bill in its meeting held on 23 April 2015.

2. The following were present:—

| | | |
|----|---|----------|
| 1. | Bao Akhtar Ali, MPA (PP-144) | Chairman |
| 2. | Ch Ali Asghar Manda, Advocate, MPA (PP-165)/ Parliamentary Secretary for S&GAD | Member |
| 3. | Mr Muhammad Naeem Safdar Ansari, MPA (PP-177) | Member |
| 4. | Mrs Shabeena Zikria Butt, MPA (W-326) | Member |
| 5. | Mr Muhammad Umar Jaffar, MPA (PP-293) | Member |
| 6. | Syed Raza Ali Gillani, MPA (PP-187) | Member |
| 7. | Ms Nabila Hakim Ali Khan, MPA (W-358) | Member |

3. Mr Muhammad Khan Ranjha, Additional Secretary (Welfare), Services and General Administration 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. Mr Mohsin Abbas Syed, Director Law and Parliamentary Affairs, apprised the Committee about the aims and objects of the bill. He said that the Government had decided to change the Composition of the Commission. He stated that the Chief Minister Punjab shall be its Chairperson and an Overseas Pakistani of noted repute and experience, nominated by the Chief Minister shall be the Vice Chairperson of the Commission.

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

CLAUSE 2

in the proposed subsection (2), of section 3 of the Principal Act:

Contd...P/2

- (i) in para (a), after the word "Punjab", occurring in line 3, the words "including at least one woman member of the Assembly" be added; and
- (ii) in para (b), the words "not more than five members from private sector" be substituted by the words "not more than five members".

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
23 April, 2015

(BAO AKHTAR ALI)
Chairman
Standing Committee on Services and General Administration

Lahore
23 April, 2015

Mumtaz Hussain
(RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR)
Secretary

PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB

Bill No. 18 of 2015

THE PUNJAB OVERSEAS PAKISTANIS COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) BILL 2015

A
BILL /

to amend the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission Act 2014.

Whereas it is expedient to amend the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission Act 2014 (XX of 2014) for purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is enacted as follows:

1. Short title and commencement.– (1) This Act may be cited as the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission (Amendment) Act 2015.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment in section 3 of Act XX of 2014.– In the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission Act 2014 (XX of 2014), in section 3:

(a) for subsection (2), the following shall be substituted:

“(2) The Commission shall consist of the Chief Minister Punjab who shall be its Chairperson and an Overseas Pakistani of noted repute and experience nominated by the Chief Minister as Vice Chairperson, and the following members:

- (a) not less than three and not more than six members of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab to be nominated by the Chief Minister preferably from those districts as have a large number of Overseas Pakistanis;
- (b) not more than five members from private sector, including not less than two women members, to be nominated by the Chief Minister for a term of three years, having experience in issues relating to Overseas Pakistanis;
- (c) Chief Secretary of the Government;
- (d) Senior Member, Board of Revenue of the Government;
- (e) Chairman, Planning and Development Board of the Government;
- (f) Secretary to the Government, Home Department;
- (g) Provincial Police Officer, Punjab;
- (h) Chairman, Punjab Board of Investment and Trade;
- (i) Chairman, Punjab Information Technology Board;
- (j) Advocate General Punjab;
- (k) Prosecutor General Punjab; and

- (l) Commissioner. Member/Secretary”
(b) in subsection (3), for the word “Five”, the word “Six” shall be substituted.

3. Repeal.— The Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission (Amendment) Ordinance, 2015 (XI of 2015) is hereby repealed.

MINISTER INCHARGE

Lahore:
27 March 2015

RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR
Secretary

ANNEXURE B

**(BILL AS RECOMMENDED BY STANDING COMMITTEE ON
SERVICES AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION)**

**A
BILL**

to amend the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission Act 2014.

Whereas it is expedient to amend the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission Act 2014 (XX of 2014) for purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is enacted as follows:

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act may be cited as the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission (Amendment) Act 2015.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment in section 3 of Act XX of 2014.**— In the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission Act 2014 (XX of 2014), in section 3:

(a) for subsection (2), the following shall be substituted:

“(2) The Commission shall consist of the Chief Minister Punjab who shall be its Chairperson and an Overseas Pakistani of noted repute and experience nominated by the Chief Minister as Vice Chairperson, and the following members:

- (a) not less than three and not more than six members of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab including at least one woman member of the Assembly to be nominated by the Chief Minister preferably from those districts as have a large number of Overseas Pakistanis;
- (b) not more than five members including not less than two women members, to be nominated by the Chief Minister for a term of three years, having experience in issues relating to Overseas Pakistanis;
- (c) Chief Secretary of the Government;
- (d) Senior Member, Board of Revenue of the Government;
- (e) Chairman, Planning and Development Board of the Government;
- (f) Secretary to the Government, Home Department;
- (g) Provincial Police Officer, Punjab;
- (h) Chairman, Punjab Board of Investment and Trade;
- (i) Chairman, Punjab Information Technology Board;
- (j) Advocate General Punjab;
- (k) Prosecutor General Punjab; and
- (l) Commissioner. Member/Secretary”

(b) in subsection (3), for the word “Five”, the word “Six” shall be substituted.

3. **Repeal.**— The Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission (Amendment) Ordinance, 2015 (XI of 2015) is hereby repealed.
