

## **CONFIDENTIAL**

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### **PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOME REGARDING THE PUNJAB SOUND SYSTEMS (REGULATION) (AMENDMENT) BILL 2018 (BILL NO.13 OF 2018)**

The Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) (Amendment) Bill 2018 (Bill No.13 of 2018) was referred to the Standing Committee on Home on 27 April 2018. The Committee considered the Bill in its meeting held on 2 May 2018.

2. The following were present:—

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| 1. | Makdum Syed Muhammad Masood Alam, MPA (PP-285)    | Chairman |
| 2. | Ch Rafaqat Hussain Gujjar, Advocate, MPA (PP-102) | Member   |
| 3. | Major (Retd) Moeen Nawaz Warraich, MPA (PP-109)   | Member   |
| 4. | Haji Malik Umar Farooq, MPA (PP-7)                | Member   |
| 5. | Mrs Kanwal Nauman, MPA (W-321)                    | Member   |

3. Dr Muhammad Shoaib Akbar, Special Secretary, Home Department, and Mr Mohsin Bukhari, Deputy Director, 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. Dr Muhammad Shoaib Akbar, Special Secretary, Home Department apprised the Committee about the aims and objects of the Bill. He stated that it was necessary to amend the Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) Act 2015 (XVIII of 2015) for the purpose of enhancing the number of existing one external sound system, to four such sound systems, one in each direction. He requested the Committee that the Bill as introduced in the House may be recommended to be passed by the Assembly.

5. The Committee after hearing the Members, having view point of the Administrative as well as Law and Parliamentary Affairs Departments 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) PREAMBLE**

the word “further” occurring in line 1, be omitted.

(2) **CLAUSE 2**

Clause 2 be substituted as under:-

**"2. Amendment in section 4 of Act XVIII of 2015.**— In the Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) Act 2015 (*XVIII of 2015*), in section 4, in subsection (2), for clause (a), the following shall be substituted:

“(a) not more than four external sound systems at a place of worship for the purpose of Azan and durood-e-pak either before or after Azan, Arabic Khutba delivered on a Friday or on Eid prayers, announcement of death of a person, lost or found a thing or a person; or”.

(3) **CLAUSE 43**

Clause 43 be re-numbered as Clause 3.

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  
2 May 2018

(**MAKDUM SYED MUHAMMAD MASOOD ALAM**)  
Chairman  
*Standing Committee on Home*

Lahore  
2 May 2018

  
(**RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR**)  
*Secretary*

ANNEXURE - A

(BILL AS INTRODUCED IN THE ASSEMBLY)

**PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB**

Bill No. 13 of 2018

**THE PUNJAB SOUND SYSTEMS (REGULATION) (AMENDMENT)  
BILL 2018**

A  
Bill

*to amend the Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) Act 2015.*

It is necessary further to amend the Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) Act 2015 (*XVIII of 2015*) for the purpose of enhancing the number of existing one external sound system, with four such sound systems, one in each direction.

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

**1. Short title and Commencement.**— (1) This Act may be cited as the Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) (Amendment) Act 2018.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment in section 4 of Act XVIII of 2015.**— In the Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) Act 2015 (*XVIII of 2015*), in section 4, in subsection (2), in clause (a), for the words “one external sound system”, the expression “not more than four external sound systems”, shall be substituted.

**43. Repeal.**— The Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) (Amendment) Ordinance 2018 (II of 2018) is hereby repealed.

**MINISTER INCHARGE**

Lahore:  
27 April 2018

RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR  
Secretary

## ANNEXURE- B

### (BILL AS RECOMMENDED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOME)

A  
Bill

*to amend the Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) Act 2015.*

It is necessary to amend the Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) Act 2015 (XVIII of 2015) for the purpose of enhancing the number of existing one external sound system, with four such sound systems, one in each direction.

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

**1. Short title and Commencement.**— (1) This Act may be cited as the Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) (Amendment) Act 2018.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment in section 4 of Act XVIII of 2015.**— In the Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) Act 2015 (XVIII of 2015), in section 4, in subsection (2), for clause (a), the following shall be substituted:

“(a) not more than four external sound systems at a place of worship for the purpose of Azan and durood-e-pak either before or after Azan, Arabic Khutba delivered on a Friday or on Eid prayers, announcement of death of a person, lost or found a thing or a person; or”.

**3. Repeal.**— The Punjab Sound Systems (Regulation) (Amendment) Ordinance 2018 (II of 2018) is hereby repealed.