

SENATE SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES ON AMENDMENTS MOVED BY SENATOR MUHAMMAD AZAM KHAN SWATI IN RULES 143 AND 196 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS IN THE SENATE, 2012.

(Report No. 29 of 2016)

I, Chairman of the Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, have the honour to present report of the Committee on amendments moved by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati in the House on 18th July, 2016, in rules 143 and 196 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012,.

2. The composition of the Committee is as under:-

1.	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	Chairman
2.	Senator Zahida Khan	Member
3.	Senator Hilalur Rehman	Member
4.	Senator Atta Ur Rehman	Member
5.	Senator Nighat Mirza	Member
6.	Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah	Member
7.	Senator Saleem Zia	Member
8.	Senator Saeed Ghani	Member
9.	Senator Zaheerud Din Babar Awan	Member
10.	Senator Osman Saifullah Khan	Member
11.	Senator Farooq Hamid Naek	Member
12.	Senator Muhammad Yaqoob Khan Nasar	Member
13.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.	Ex-Officio Member

3. The details of the issue before the Committee were that Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati moved amendments in rules 143 and 196 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, in the House on 18th July, 2016, Which were referred to the Committee for examination and report.

4. The Committee considered the amendments in its meeting held on 26th August, 2016. As regard the amendment proposed to rule 143, the Committee was informed that a new rule 265-A had been made under which the Ministers are required to inform

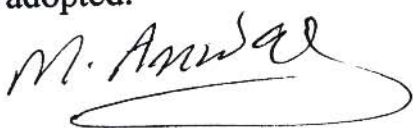
the House on quarterly basis regarding the action taken by the Government on various recommendations made by the House or its Committees which includes the reports on resolutions passed by the House during the intervening period. It was informed that the said new rule serves the purpose for which this amendment was proposed. After knowing this position, the mover did not press the amendment.

5. As regard the other amendment in rule 196, Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati stated that according to present position, when a report of the Committee is laid on the Table of the House, only the Chairperson or a Member of the committee concerned can move a motion for consideration and adoption of the report. He was of the view that when a report is laid before the House, it becomes the property of the whole House and every Member of the House should have the right to move the motion for consideration and adoption of such report.

6. The Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, stated that the Chairperson and Members of the committee concerned are in better position to explain the merits and demerits of the matter reported upon. He was of the view that the present provision of the rule is appropriate and only the Chairperson and Members of the committee concerned may have the right to move a motion for that purpose.

7. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Sawati stated that many reports were being presented in the House but Chairpersons and Members committee were not moving motions for consideration and adoption of the same.

8. No member of the Committee objected the proposed amendment. The Committee recommended that the amendment proposed in rule 196 of the said rules may be adopted.


(Muhammad Anwar)
A.S. / Secretary Committee


(Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini)
Chairman