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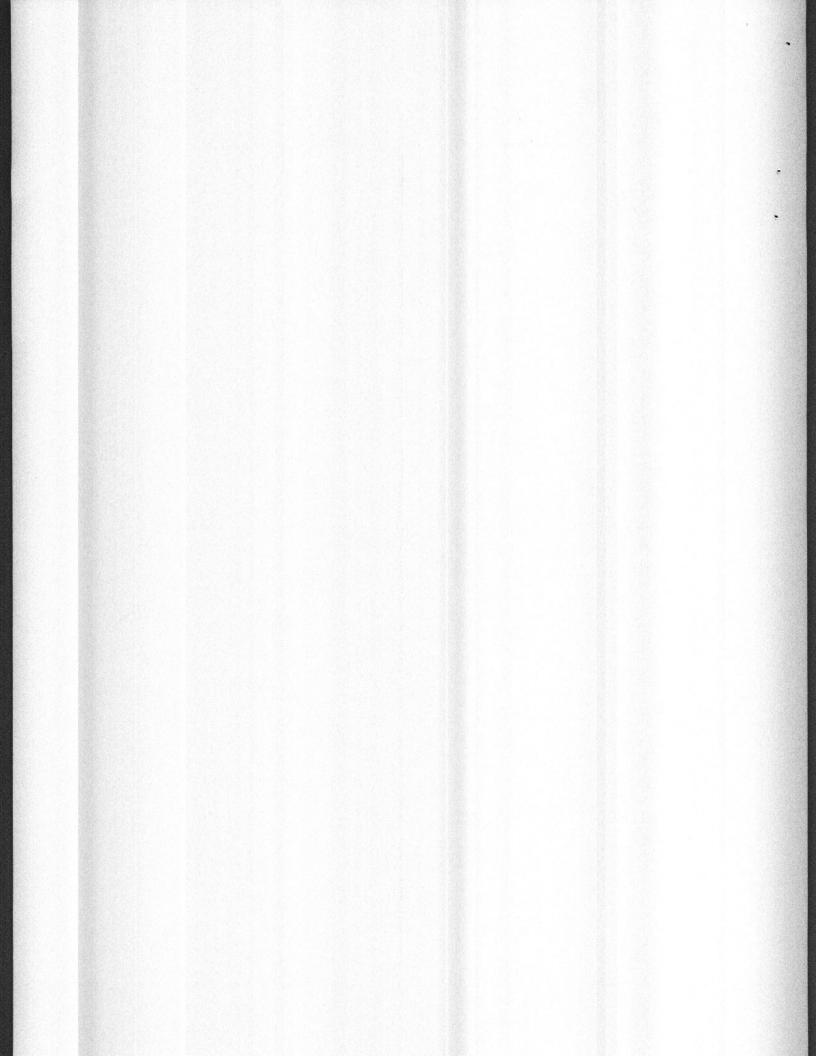
Report No.25



Report of the Senate Standing Committee on Interior on "The Islamabad Capital Territory Shops Business and Industrial Establishments (Security) (Amendment) Bill, 2017" introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on 10th April, 2017."

PRESENTED BY

SENATOR A. REHMAN MALIK CHAIRMAN



SENATE SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR

I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Interior, have the honour to present the report on "The Islamabad Capital Territory Shops Business and Industrial Establishments (Security) (Amendment) Bill, 2017" introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on 10th April, 2017" referred by the House to the Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control for consideration and report thereof.

2. The composition of the Standing Committee on Interior & Narcotics Control is as under:-

1.	Senator A. Rehman Malik	Chairman
2.	Senator Shahi Syed	Member
3.	Senator Mir Israrullah Khan Zehri	Member
4.	Senator Muhammad Saleh Shah	Member
5.	Senator Muhammad TalhaMehmood	Member
6.	Senator Col. (R) Syed TahirHussainMashhadi	Member
7.	Senator Dr. JehanzebJamaldini	Member
8.	Senator ChaudharyTanvir Khan	Member
9.	Senator Muhammad JavedAbbasi	Member
10.	Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif	Member
11.	Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz	Member
12.	Senator Syed ShibliFaraz	Member
13.	Minister for Interior	Ex-officio Member

- 3. The matter was taken up in the meeting of the Standing Committee held on 13th September, 2017 and 27th September, 2017.
- 4. The Committee disposed of the matter on 27th September, 2017 and allowed to submit the report to the House. The following members of the Committee attended the meeting.

1.	Senator Abdul Rehman Malik	Chairman
2.	Senator Shahi Syed	Member
3.	Senator Muhammad Saleh Shah	Member
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5.	Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif	Member
6.	Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz	Member
7.	State Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control	Ex-Officio Member
8.	Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati	Mover

SUMMARY

The proposed legislation was discussed in detail. The Mover briefed that terrorism has become a major threat to Pakistan and civilians in Pakistan are being targeted by the terrorists

especially at public places such as markets, mosques, educational institutes, offices and hotels.

The amendment is aimed at making it mandatory for the people concerned to install and

maintainthe video camera systems such as CCTV Cameras to view and record videos of their

premises and surroundings. It will be helpful in tracing the trails of crime by making those videos

available to police or other investigative agencies on demand. The purpose of this amendment is

to improve public safety and security. It will provide a deterrent for those who are involved in

criminal activities and also in tracing their facilitators.

The Standing Committee agreed to the viewpoint of the Mover but differed with the Mover

on two clauses and proposed amendments to those clauses. While reading the Bill, clause by clause the

Committee objected to the punishment proposed by the Mover under Article-3(2). The Committee

proposed that the word "Six" occurring after "To" should be replaced by "One." After amendment, clause

3(2) will be read as follows:

"(2) Any person who contravenes the provisions of sub-section (2) or sub-section (3)

of section 3 shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one

month or with fine which may extend to fifty thousand rupees, or with both.

Under clause 3, sub-clause (3), the Committee deemed it more appropriate to keep the

offence as non-cognizable. The Committee opined that the offence is not of such a grave nature and

should not be kept cognizable as proposed by the Mover under clause-3(3) rather it is better to turn it into

a non-cognizable offence so after amendment it will be read as follows:

"(3) The offence under the preceding sub-section shall be non-cognizable and

bailable."

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee disposed of the Bill with the recommendation that the Bill may be passed with

above mentioned amendments. The amended Bill is annexed.

(JAVAID IQBAL) Secretary Committee SENATOR A. REHMAN MALIK)

Chairman

INTRODUCED ON 10-04-2017

[AS INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE]

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WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Islamabad Capital Territory Shops, Business and Industrial Establishments (Security) Ordinance, 2000 (Ordinance No.XXX of 2000), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

- 1. Short title and commencement. (1) This Act may be called the Islamabad Capital Territory Shops, Business and Industrial Establishments (Security) (Amendment) Act, 2017.
 - (2) It shall come into force at once.
- 2. Amendment of section 3, Ordinance No. XXX of 2000.-(1) IntheIslamabad Capital Territory Shops, Business and Industrial Establishments (Security) Ordinance, 2000 (Ordinance No. XXX of 2000), hereinafter referred to as the said Ordinance, the existing section 3 shall be numbered as sub-section (1) of section 3, and after sub-section (1) numbered as aforesaid, the following new sub-sections shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "(2) Without prejudice to the generality of sub-section (1), every person, who owns or, manages, or undertakes any business or commercial activities in an establishment, or who manages the affairs of place of worship or education institution or healthcare facility or, who owns or manages any other place for the purpose of public use, shall, within a period of ninety days after the commencement of this Act, install and maintain Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) Cameras for the surveillance of the premises and the surroundings of the establishment:

Provided that not more than five persons having adjacent establishments with clear view of the front, back and other directions of their establishments, may jointly install CCTV Cameras for the surveillance of the premises and the surroundings of the establishments, where they undertake their business or commercial or any other activities mention in this sub-section.

(3) The person mentioned in the preceding sub-section shall keep and maintain the record of CCTV Cameras for ninety days and shall provide the record to the police or other investigation agencies as and when required by the police or other investigation agencies."

- 3. Amendment of section 4, Ordinance No. XXX of 2000.- (1)Inthe said Ordinance, the existing section 4 shall be numbered as sub-section (1) of section 4, and after sub-section (1) numbered as aforesaid, the following new sub-sections shall be inserted, namely:-
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STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Pakistan is facing the menace of terrorism since the last many years which has claimed thousands of innocent lives. Most of the terrorist acts have targeted public places including markets, restaurants, hotels, mosques and educational institutions. Unfortunately we have no proper surveillance mechanism through which the terrorists and their facilitators can be traced out. The amendment has been proposed so that to make it binding on the people concerned to install CCTV Cameras in their places of business and other activities so that proper surveillance may be made of the place. This amendment will ensure the proper surveillance of all public places and will help in tracing out the terrorists, their facilitators and the suspected persons.

The Bill has been designed to achieve the aforesaid objectives.

SENATOR MOHAMMAD AZAM KHAN SWATI

Member-in-Charge

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[AS AMMENDED BY THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE]

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