

REPORT NO. ...19.../2023-24

# SENATE OF PAKISTAN



## REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR

ON

**A BILL FURTHER TO AMEND THE PROVINCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE  
ORDINANCE, 1965  
[THE PROVINCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023]  
(INSERTION OF NEW SECTION 101A)  
INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SHAHADAT AWAN  
ON 6TH NOVEMBER, 2023.**

**PRESENTED BY**

**SENATOR MOHSIN AZIZ  
CHAIRMAN SSC ON INTERIOR**

## SENATE SECRETARIAT

**SUBJECT: REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR ON THE PROVINCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023 2023.**

I, Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Interior, have the honor to present report of the Committee on a Bill further to amend the Provincial Motor Vehicle Ordinance, 1965 [The Provincial Motor vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2023] (Insertion of new section 101A), introduced by Senator Shahadat Awan on 6th November, 2023.

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

Senator Mohsin Aziz	Chairman
Senator Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani	Member
Senator Azam Nazeer Tarar	Member
Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri	Member
Senator Sherry Rehman	Member
Senator Saifullah Abro	Member
Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman	Member
Senator Shahadat Awan	Member
Senator Faisal Subzwari	Member
Senator Fawzia Arshad	Member
Senator Danesh Kumra	Member
Senator Dilawar Khan	Member
Senator Kamil Ali Agha	Member
<u>Minister for Interior</u>	<u>Ex-Officio Member</u>



3. The Committee finally considered the Bill in its meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2023. The meeting was attended by the following Members:

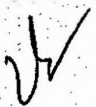
1. Senator Mohsin Aziz	Chairman
2. Senator Saifullah Abro	Member
3. Senator Shahadat Awan	Member/Mover
4. Senator Fawzia Arshad	Member
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6. Senator Danesh Kumar	Member
7. Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri	Member
8. Minister for Interior	Ex-officio Member

4. The Mover briefed the Committee that he had introduced this Bill earlier which was recommended by the Committee and report was also presented in the House but the same stood lapsed after he assumed the charge of the Minister.

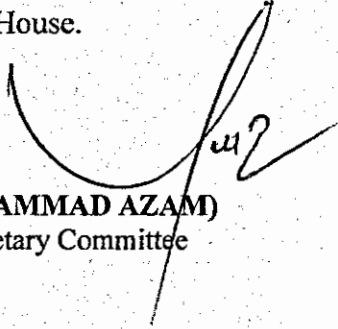
5. The ICCPO Islamabad pointed out the para (b) of sub-clause (2) of clause 2 of the Bill which is vague as everyone can take its plea so that para needs to be omitted as it would be very difficult to ensure, manage and enforce. He was of the view that in para (a) the words 'other emergency services' have already been mentioned so 'emergency' at para (b) is open ended. He requested the Mover to review it and delete the same from the Bill.

6. The Committee also endorsed the point raised by the ICCPO Islamabad as para (b) becomes redundant when the word 'other emergency' is also mentioned in para (a).


7. The Mover agreed the suggestion of the ICCPO and the Committee made the amendment in the Bill and para (b) of sub-clause (2) of clause 2 of the Bill was deleted from the Bill.



8. Thereafter, the Bill was put to the vote of the Committee which was unanimously recommended by the Committee with the recommendation that para (b) of sub-clause (2) of clause 2 of the Bill may be deleted from the Bill. The Bill as introduced in the Senate is at Annexure-A. The Bill as reported by the Committee is at Annexure-B. The Committee also gave approval of presentation of report of the Committee to the House. Hence, this report is presented to the House.



(MUHAMMAD AZAM)  
Secretary Committee



(SENATOR MOHSIN AZIZ)  
Chairman Committee

Annexure - A

AS  
[TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE]

INTRODUCED ON 06.11.2023

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(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Insertion of new section 101-A, Ordinance No. XIX of 1965.**— In the Provincial Motor Vehicles Ordinance, 1965 (W.P. Ordinance XIX of 1965), after section 101, the following new section shall be inserted, namely:-

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(2) A person shall not be guilty of contravention of sub-section (1) if, at the time of the alleged contravention, he is-

(b) using the mobile telephone or the device to call the police, fire, ambulance or other emergency service; or

(a) acting in response to an emergency."

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

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2. This bill seeks to achieve the above said purposes.

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