

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES, REGULATIONS AND
COORDINATION

ON

THE PAKISTAN MEDICAL AND DENTAL COUNCIL (AMENDMENT)
BILL, 2025 INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MOHAMMAD HUMAYUN
MOHMAND IN THE SENATE SITTING HELD ON 19TH MAY, 2025

REPORT NO. 13

PRESENTED BY

Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti
Chairman
**Senate Standing Committee on National Health Services,
Regulations and Coordination**

SENATE SECRETARIAT

Subject: REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES, REGULATIONS AND COORDINATION ON THE PAKISTAN MEDICAL AND DENTAL COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2025, INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MOHAMMAD HUMAYUN MOHMAND IN THE SENATE SITTING HELD ON 19TH MAY, 2025

I, Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti, Chairman Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination have the honour to present, on behalf of Committee, this report on a Private Member's Bill titled "The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (Amendment) Bill" introduced by Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand, in the Senate sitting held on 19th May, 2025, and referred to the Committee for consideration and report.

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

1.	Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti	Chairman
2.	Senator Ahad Khan Cheema	Member
3.	Senator Abdul Qudoos	Member
4.	Senator Syed Masroor Ahsan	Member
5.	Senator Liaqat Khan Tarakai	Member
6.	Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand	Member/Member In-Charge
7.	Senator Fawzia Arshad	Member
8.	Senator Rubina Khalid	Member
9.	Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati	Member
10.	Senator Dilawar Khan	Member
11.	Senator Anusha Rahman Ahmad Khan	Member
12.	Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri	Member
13.	Senator Rahat Jamali	Member
14.	Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination	Ex-officio Member

2. The Committee considered the Bill in its meetings held on:-

- i. 8th July, 2025
- ii. 21st August, 2025
- iii. 9th September, 2025
- iv. 2nd December, 2025
- v. 5th January, 2026
- vi. 10th February, 2026

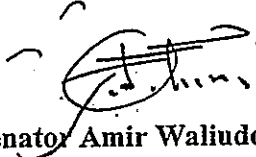
3. The final consideration of the Bill, held on 10th February, 2026, was attended by the following Members:-

i.	Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti	Chairman
ii.	Senator Syed Masroor Ahsan	Member
iii.	Senator Anusha Rahman Ahmed Khan	Member
iv.	Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri	Member
v.	Senator Rubina Khalid	Member

4. The Committee noted that the Member-in-Charge had failed to attend three consecutive meetings of the Committee at which his Bill was included on the agenda. Therefore, the Committee decided to dispose of the matter in pursuance of Standing Order No. 2.23 (reproduced below) for onward submission of its report to the House.

2.23 Where the mover whose legislative or non-legislative business is referred from the House to the Committee, fails to attend two consecutive Committee meetings in which his/her business is taken up on the agenda, the Committee may, if the mover absents himself from the third consecutive Committee meeting, despite telephonic intimations and Notices, the said matter may be taken up and disposed of in absence of the mover and a report in this context be laid in the House within the stipulated time period for which the matter was originally referred.


(Naeem Akhtar Bhatti)
Secretary Committee


(Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti)
Chairman

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further to amend the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Act, 2022

WHEREAS It is expedient further to amend the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Act, 2022 (IV of 2023), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.**- (1) This Act may be called the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (Amendment) Act, 2025.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 3, Act IV of 2023.**- In the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Act, 2022 (IV of 2023), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 3, in sub-section (1), after clause (b), the following new clause (ba) shall be inserted, namely:-

"(ba) Two members of the National Assembly, nominated by the Speaker of the National Assembly, and two members of the Senate, nominated by the Chairman Senate, from the treasury and opposition benches in equal proportion, shall serve as ex-officio members of the Council."

3. **Amendment of section 45, Act IV of 2023.**- In the said Act, in section 45, for the "full stop" occurring at the end, a "colon" shall be substituted, and thereafter, the following proviso, shall be inserted, namely:-

"Provided that this section shall not apply to the Members appointed under clause (ba) of sub-section (1) of section 3, of the Act."

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Act, 2022, was enacted to regulate the registration of medical practitioners and dentists and to reconstitute the Medical and Dental Council in Pakistan. Its primary objective was to establish uniform minimum standards for basic and higher qualifications in medicine and dentistry.

However, the Act has largely failed to achieve its goals. A key reason for this shortcoming is the lack of representation from elected members of Parliament, who could play a crucial role in strengthening the healthcare system.

To improve public health and revamp the healthcare sector nationwide, it is essential to appoint members from both houses of Parliament to the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council. Their representation would help ensure that the needs of the people are effectively addressed and that health reforms are implemented in both letter and spirit.

2. This Bill is aimed to achieve the above-said objective.

**SENATOR MOHAMMAD HUMAYUN MOHMAND
MEMBER-IN-CHARGE**