



Substantive Motion/RESOLUTION NO. 344

“That this House resolves that:

Whereas an anomalous position in Pakistan wherein a person disqualified to be a Member of Parliament can become an office bearer including the Head of any Political Party;

And whereas this may enable an unelected person, to give up the citizenship or who is declared to be of unsound mind by a court of law or who is otherwise disqualified by a court of competence jurisdiction to be a Member of Parliament, to determine the policies and take decisions of any Party including the majority Party from outside the Parliament;

And whereas Parliament itself is thus exposed to becoming hostage to a person who himself is barred from entering to Parliament;

Now, therefore, this House resolves that a person who is not eligible to be elected as a Member of Parliament on account of being disqualified to be a Member of Parliament should not become an office bearer of any political party.”

Moved by Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition, on his own behalf and on behalf of Senators Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi, Taj Haider, Ilyas Ahmed Bilour, Barrister Murtaza Wahab, Hidayat Ullah, Kamil Ali Agha and Mohsin Aziz.

Passed by the Senate of Pakistan on Tuesday, the 11th October, 2017.