

[AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY]

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further to amend the Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils Act, 1973

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils Act, 1973, (Act XXXV of 1973) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.**- (1) This Act may be called the Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils (Amendment) Act, 2021 /

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 5 Act XXXV of 1973.**- In the Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils Act, 1973, hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 5, in sub-section (2) in Paragraph (a), the entry relating to the expression "Balochistan Bar Council" for the figure "07" the figure "08" shall be substituted.

3. **Amendment of Schedule Act XXXV of 1973.**- In the said Act, in Schedule, for the "Balochistan Bar Council" and corresponding entries relating there to the following shall be substituted, namely:-

**"BALOCHISTAN BAR COUNCIL**

**GROUP OF DISTRICTS-I**

Name of the Districts

Quetta+Chaghi+Noshki+Pashin+Killa Abdullah

Seats  
04

**GROUP OF DISTRICTS-II**

Name of the Districts

Zhob + Loralai +Killa Saifullah + Ziārat + Musakhel and Barkhran

Seats  
01

**GROUP OF DISTRICTS-III**

Name of Districts

Kech + Panjgor + Gawadar and Lasbela

Seats  
01

**GROUP OF DISTRICTS-IV**

Name of Districts

Kalat + Khuzdar + Mastung +Kharan and Awaran

Seats  
01

**GROUP OF DISTRICTS-V**

Name of districts

Sibi + Bolan +Nasirabad + Jafarabad + Jhal Magsi + Kohlu and Dera Bugti "

Seats  
01

## STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Prior to 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2004, there were five seats of Balochistan Bar Council but it felt necessary to change the composition of Bar Councils in the country so Ordinance-III of 2004 was promulgated making some changes in the Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils Act, 1973 (XXXV of 1973) whereby eight seats were allocated to Balochistan Bar Council with five groups of Districts but on laying the Ordinance before the Parliament the seats of Balochistan Bar Council were reduced from eight to seven and the groups of Districts were substituted from five to four due to which there is resentment in the Advocates of the area even otherwise when a group of Districts qualifies to have a seat then taking it back is not justified, hence this amendment.

Sd/-

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