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PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH
NOTIFICATION
KARACHI, THE 26TH JUNE, 2014.

NO.PAS/Legis-B-15/2014-The following Bill is hereby published for general information as required by Rule 98 of Rules of Procedure of the Provincial Assembly of Sindh.

THE SINDH EPIDEMIC DISEASES BILL, 2014.

SINDH BILL NO. 15 OF 2014.

A
BILL

to consolidate the law relating to the prevention of the spread of dangerous epidemic disease in the Province of Sindh.

WHEREAS it is expedient to consolidate the law relating to the prevention of the spread of dangerous epidemic disease in the Province of Sindh;

Preamble.

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. (1) This Act may be called the Sindh Epidemic Diseases Act, 2014.

Short title,
extent and
commencement.

(2) It shall extend to the whole of the Province of Sindh.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

Definition.

2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context —

(a) "disease" means the dangerous epidemic diseases;

(b) "Government" means the Government of Sindh.

Power to take special measures and prescribe regulations as to dangerous epidemic disease.

3. (1) When at any time Government is satisfied that the Province or any part thereof is visited by, or threatened with an outbreak of any disease, Government, if it thinks that the ordinary provisions of the law for the time being in force are insufficient for the purpose, may take or require or empower any person to take, such measures and, by public notice, prescribe such temporary regulations to be observed by the public or by any person or class of persons as it shall deem necessary to prevent the outbreak of such disease or the spread thereof, and may determine in what manner and by whom any expenses incurred (including compensation, if any) shall be defrayed.

(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions, Government may take measures and prescribe regulations for the inspection of persons traveling by railway or otherwise, and the segregation, in hospital,

temporary accommodation or otherwise, of persons suspected by the inspecting officer of being infected with any such disease.

(3) Government may, by general or special order, empower a Deputy Commissioner to exercise in relation to the district, all the powers under this section exercisable by Government in relation to the Province, other than the power to determine in what manner and by whom any expenses incurred (including compensation, if any) shall be defrayed.

(4) The exercise of powers delegated by Government shall be subject to such restrictions, limitations and conditions, if any, as may be specified by Government and to the control of, and to revision by Government.

4. Any person disobeying any regulation or order made under this Act shall be deemed to have committed an offence punishable under section 188 of the Pakistan Penal Code. **Penalty.**

5. Government may make regulations for carrying out the purposes of this Act. **Regulations.**

6. The provisions of the West Pakistan Epidemic Diseases Act, 1958 relating to the Province of Sindh and the amendments made therein from time to time by the Province of Sindh, are hereby repealed. **Repeal.**

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

In pursuance of the Eighteenth Amendment in the Constitution of Pakistan, the subject "health" is devolved to the Provinces. In order to prevent the spread of the dangerous epidemic diseases in the Province, it is expedient to consolidate the law relating to the prevention of the spread of the dangerous epidemic diseases at provincial level.

The Bill seeks to achieve the above object.

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