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**Law, Justice, Parliamentary Affairs and Human Rights Department**

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**“Muzaffarabad”**  
**Dated: 09.02.2016**

No. LD/Legis-Act/216/2016. The following Act of Assembly received the assent of the President on the 08<sup>th</sup> day of February 2016, is hereby published for general information.

**[Act XIX of 2016]**

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ACT**

to amend the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Legal Practitioners and Bar Council Act, 1995

**Whereas**, it is expedient to amend the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Legal Practitioners and Bar Council Act, 1995 (Act XXX of 1995), to make Bar Council more effective and self sufficient institution;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and Commencement.**- (1) This Act may be called the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Legal Practitioners and Bar Council (Amendment) Act, 2016.  
  
(2) It shall come into force at once and shall be deemed to have taken effect from 20.03.2014.
2. **Amendment of Section 5, Act XXX of 1995.**- (1) In the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Legal Practitioners and Bar Council Act, 1995

(Act XXX of 1995), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in Section 5, following amendments shall be made:

(1) In sub-section (2), clause (a) and (b) shall be substituted as under:-

“(a) One member from each district;

(b) In addition to the member to be elected from each district under clause (a),-

(i) one member from the advocates exceeding one hundred up to two hundred; and

(ii) if the number of advocates exceeds two hundred, one member for every one hundred in excess of two hundred.”

(2) After sub-section (6) a new sub-section (7) shall be added as under:-

“(7) Number of seats of the member Bar Council under the said Act shall not be changed or increased for further three elections.”

3. **Amendment of Section 6, Act XXX of 1995.**-In the said Act, in Section 6, in clause (b), for the words “seven years” the words “ten years as an advocate of High Court” shall be substituted.

(Ch. Muhammad Nawaz)  
Section Officer (Legislation)

