

Bill No. 32 of 2010

THE ANTI-HIJACKING (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2010

By

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further to amend the Anti-Hijacking Act, 1982.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-first Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Anti-Hijacking (Amendment) Act, 2010.

Short title and commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

5 2. After section 4 of the Anti-Hijacking Act, 1982, the following section shall be
65 of 1982. inserted, namely:—

Insertion of new section 4A.

10 "4A. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or any other law for the time being in force, whoever, being a person committing the offence of hijacking of an aircraft, commits, in connection with such offence, any act of violence resulting in death of any passenger or member of the crew of such aircraft, shall be punished with death."

Punishment for acts of violence resulting in death.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

There has been a number of cases of hijacking and attempts to hijack aircrafts in the country. In addition to it, everyday, some outlawed groups or organisations threaten to commit offence of hijacking. The present law is insufficient and not proving any deterrent to the offenders. It is necessary to make the provisions of the existing statute more stringent and to award death penalty to the persons who cause death of a passenger or member of crew of an aircraft while committing the act of hijacking of aircraft. Such a measure will act as a deterrent to those who plan or attempt to hijack aircrafts.

In view of increasing cases of hijacking, an amendment is proposed in the Anti-Hijacking Act, 1982 to award death sentence to persons who during the course of hijacking cause death to passengers or members of the crew.

Hence this Bill.

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