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**Law No. (3) of 2009 Amending Article (25) of the Law Regulating Pensions and Retirement Gratuities for Officers and Personnel of the Bahrain Defence Force and Public Security, promulgated by Legislative Decree No. (11) of 1976**

We, Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, King of the Kingdom of Bahrain.

Having reviewed the Constitution;

Law regarding Regulating Pensions and Retirement Gratuities for Officers and Personnel of the Bahrain Defence Force and Public Security, promulgated by Legislative Decree No. (11) of 1976, as amended;

And Legislative Decree No. (6) of 1991 Establishing the Retirement Fund for Personnel and Officers of the Bahrain Defence Force, Public Security Force, Bahrainis and non-Bahrainis;

The Shura Council and the Council of Representatives have approved the following Law, which we have ratified and enacted:

**Article One**

The text of Article (25) of the Law Regulating Pensions and Retirement Gratuities for Officers and Personnel of the Bahrain Defence Force and Public Security, promulgated by Legislative Decree No. (11) of 1976 shall be replaced with the following text:

**Article (25)**

In the event that a widow remarries or passes away, her entitlement shall be transferred to the sons and daughters of the deceased who are eligible for the pension, to be distributed equally among them. Should none of the deceased's children be present, the entitlement shall revert to the Retirement Fund.

If the widow's share of the pension has been transferred to the sons and daughters of the deceased or has reverted to the Retirement Fund as a result of her remarriage, and she subsequently becomes widowed again or is divorced from her most recent spouse, she shall be entitled to reclaim her share of the pension in accordance with the provisions of this Law. This is contingent upon her not having acquired a pension from her last husband following his death that is equivalent to her share in the pension; otherwise, she shall be entitled to recover the difference.

**Article Two**

The Ministers—each within his jurisdiction—shall implement this Law, and it shall come into force from the first of the month following the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

**King of the Kingdom of Bahrain**

Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa

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