

Law No. ( ) of 2012

For amending some provisions of the Criminal Procedure Law promulgated by Law Decree No.46 of 2002

We, Hamad Bin Isa Al Khalifa, King of Bahrain,

Having examined the Constitution,

And the Criminal Procedure Law promulgated by Law Decree No.46 of 2001, amended with Law No.41 of 2005,

The Shura Council and the Council of Representatives adopted the following law, and we ratified it and published it:

Article 1

The new article No. (22 bis) shall be added to the second part of the first book of the Criminal Procedure Law promulgated by Law Decree No.46 of 2002. Another new article No. (64 bis) shall also be added to the third chapter of the first part of book 2 of the same law under the title “arrest of the accused”. Following are the texts of the two new articles:

Article 22 (bis):

Anyone who claims having been subjected to revenge for filing lawsuits related to torture, mistreatment, inhumane or humiliating treatment shall be entitled to claim civil rights against the accused in the course of collection of evidence, conducting the investigation or before the Court that hears the criminal action in any state it may be until the issue of a decision to close the stage of filing pleadings, if revenge was considered a crime.

In case the revenge took a dimension that cannot be sanctioned by law, the matter becomes the specialization of civil courts.

Article (64 bis):

Provisions stipulated by this chapter shall be applied during the announcement of a state of national security.

Article 2

Article 3

The Prime Minister and ministers- each in his specialization- shall implement provisions of this law effective the next day following its publication in the Official Gazette.