



2018 SEXUAL OFFENCES BILL (SOB)

OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF SOMALIA

Timeline towards its enactment

May 2018

Draft SOB unanimously approved by Council of Ministers.

June 2018

Draft SOB sent to Parliament for debate and adoption.

Nov 2019

Bill returned by the Speaker to Cabinet for amendment with **no consultation** from relevant Committees.

violation of Article 69*

December 2019

15 parliamentarians brought a motion to return the bill to Parliament for first reading in accordance with article 69.

June 2020

Parliamentarians unsuccessfully attempted to introduce a new legislation** **instead of debating the SOB** already approved by Cabinet.

Somalia must urgently enact the SOB to strengthen the protection of all from sexual violence.

2018

2019

2020

2021

2022

*Article 69 of the Provisional Constitution and the House of People Rules of Procedure
**the law of Sexual-Intercourse-Related crimes