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**Law No. (22) of 2022 Adding a New Article (318 bis) to the Penal Code promulgated by Legislative Decree No. (15) of 1976**

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

Having reviewed the Constitution,

And the Penal Code promulgated by Legislative Decree No. (15) of 1976, as amended;

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

**Article One**

A new article numbered (318 bis) shall be added to Chapter Two of Part Seven - Special Section - of the Penal Code promulgated by Legislative Decree No. (15) of 1976, the text of which reads as follows:

"Any person who, without excuse, refuses to allow a person entitled to a visit in detention to visit him shall be liable to a term of imprisonment or a fine."

**Article Two**

The Prime Minister and the Ministers - each within his jurisdiction- shall implement this Law, and it shall come into force from the day 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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