

# **Public Service Commission (Amendment) Bill**

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**Bill No. 19/2007.**

*Read the first time on 21st May 2007.*

A BILL

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An Act to amend the Public Service Commission Act (Chapter 259 of the 1985 Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

### **Short title and commencement**

1. This Act may be cited as the Public Service Commission (Amendment) Act 2007 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

### 5 **Amendment of long title**

2. The long title to the Public Service Commission Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended by deleting the words “Public Service Commission’s functions, for the protection of members of the Commission” and substituting the words “functions of the Public Service  
10 Commission and the Legal Service Commission, for the protection of the members of these Commissions”.

### **Amendment of section 1**

3. Section 1 of the principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after the words “Public Service Commission”, the words “and Legal  
15 Service Commission”.

### **Amendment of section 2**

4. Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by deleting the words “(referred to in this Act as the Commission)” and substituting the words  
20 “or the Legal Service Commission (either of which shall be referred to in this Act as the Commission)”.

### **Amendment of section 8**

5. Section 8 of the principal Act is amended —  
 (a) by inserting, immediately after the words “Article 110D”, the words “or 111AA”; and  
 25 (b) by deleting the words “Public Service”.

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## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Bill seeks to amend the Public Service Commission Act (Cap. 259) to extend its scope and protection to the Legal Service Commission and its members and to the personnel boards for the Singapore Legal Service.

Clause 1 relates to the short title and commencement.

Clause 2 amends the long title to include reference to the Legal Service Commission.

Clause 3 amends section 1 (the short title) to include reference to the Legal Service Commission.

Clause 4 amends section 2 to expand the meaning of “the Commission” in the Act to include the Legal Service Commission, so that the members of the Legal Service Commission have the same powers, immunities and privileges as the members of the Public Service Commission under the Act.

Clause 5 amends section 8 to confer on the personnel boards to which the functions of the Legal Service Commission will be devolved, and its members, the same powers, immunities and privileges of the personnel boards which have been similarly devolved the functions of the Public Service Commission.

### EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC MONEY

This Bill will not involve the Government in any extra financial expenditure.

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