

Public Service Commission Act
(CHAPTER 259)

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION ACT
(CHAPTER 259)

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An Act to provide for the punishment of offences in connection with the exercise of the Public Service Commission's functions, for the protection of members of the Commission, and for matters connected therewith.

[29th January 1957]

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Public Service Commission Act.

Offence to give false information to Commission

2. Any person who, in connection with an application by any person for employment or appointment in the public service or with any matter upon which it is the duty of the Public Service Commission (referred to in this Act as the Commission) to act, wilfully gives to the Commission or to any member of it or to any person or body of persons appointed by the Commission to assist it in the exercise of its functions or the discharge of its duties any information which is false or misleading in any material particular shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$2,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or to both.

Communications of Commission to be privileged

3. No person shall in any legal proceedings be permitted or compelled to produce or disclose any communication, written or oral, which has taken place between the Commission or any member of it and the Government or the President or a Minister or the head of a department of the Government or any other person or any communication between members of the Commission in exercise of or in connection with the exercise of the functions of the Commission unless the President, acting in his discretion, consents in writing to such production or disclosure.

Publication and disclosure of information to unauthorised persons prohibited

4.—(1) No member of the Commission nor any other person shall, without the written permission of the President acting in his discretion, publish or disclose to any unauthorised person or otherwise than in the course of his duty the contents or any part of the contents of any document, communication or information whatsoever which has come to his knowledge in the course of his duties under any written law relating to the Commission in respect of any of the Commission's functions under any such law, and any person who knowingly acts in contravention of this subsection shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or to both.

(2) If any person having possession of any information which to his knowledge has