

# Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Act 2020 2020 asp 8

# SCOTTISH BIOMETRICS COMMISSIONER ACT 2020

# Establishment

1 Scottish Biometrics Commissioner

# **Functions**

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33 Advisory group

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SCHEDULE 1 — The office of Scottish Biometrics Commissioner

# Status

1 (1) The Commissioner— (a) is not a servant or agent...

# Appointment

2 (1) The office of Commissioner is to be held by...

# Disqualification from appointment

3 An individual is disqualified from holding the office of Commissioner...

#### Tenure

4 Subject to paragraph 5, the Commissioner holds office for such...

#### Early termination

5 (1) The Commissioner's appointment ends if— (a) the Commissioner is...

# Validity of things done

6 The validity of anything done by the Commissioner is not...

#### Remuneration and pensions, etc.

7 (1) The Parliamentary corporation may pay the Commissioner such remuneration...

#### Subsequent appointments etc.

8 (1) A person who has ceased to be the Commissioner...

#### Other terms and conditions

9 (1) The Parliamentary corporation may, subject to any provision made...

#### Temporary appointments

10 (1) This paragraph applies during any period when—

# Appointment of staff

11 The Commissioner may, with the consent of the Parliamentary corporation...

#### Staff terms and conditions

12 Staff appointed by the Commissioner are appointed on such terms...

# Staff pensions

13 (1) The Commissioner may, with the approval of the Parliamentary...

# Authority to perform functions

14 (1) The Commissioner may authorise any person to perform such...

SCHEDULE 2 — Application of public authorities legislation

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

1 In Part 2 of schedule 2 of the Scottish Public...

#### Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

2 In Part 7 of schedule 1 of the Freedom of...

# Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

3 In the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010—

Public Records (Scotland) Act 2011

4 In the schedule of the Public Records (Scotland) Act 2011...

Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014

5 In Part 3 of the schedule of the Procurement Reform...

# Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Act 2020.