

Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

PART 18

MISCELLANEOUS

Communications, security etc.

283 Review of decision to withhold postal packet

- (1) This section applies where a relevant item is withheld under—
 - (a) subsection (1) of section 281 of this Act by virtue of subsection (3) of that section; or
 - (b) subsection (6) of that section.
- (2) On an application—
 - (a) in the case where a relevant item is withheld as mentioned in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) above, by the specified person; or
 - (b) in the case where a relevant item is withheld as mentioned in paragraph (b) of that subsection, by—
 - (i) the specified person; or
 - (ii) the person by whom the postal packet was sent,

the Commission shall review the decision to withhold the relevant item.

- (3) Any application under subsection (2) above shall be made before the expiry of the period of 6 months beginning with the day on which the person making the application receives notice under section 282(4) of this Act.
- (4) On an application under subsection (2) above the Commission may direct that the relevant item should not be withheld; and the managers of the hospital concerned shall comply with any such direction.
- (5) Regulations may make provision with respect to the making of applications under subsection (2) above.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (6) Regulations under subsection (5) above may in particular make provision as to the production to the Commission of relevant items.
- (7) In this section—
 - "postal packet" has the same meaning as in section 281 of this Act;
 - "relevant item" means a postal packet or anything contained in it; and
 - "specified person" has the same meaning as in that section.