

These notes refer to the Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010 (c.25) which received Royal Assent on 8th April 2010

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM AND GOVERNANCE ACT 2010

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1: the Civil Service

Chapter 1

Section 1: Application of Chapter

59. *Section 1* applies Chapter 1 of Part 1 of the Act to the civil service of the State, subject to the exclusions listed in *subsections (2) and (3)*. The terms “civil service” and “civil servant” throughout this Chapter are therefore to be read as excluding those parts of the civil service listed in *subsections (2) and (3)* and the civil servants in those parts of the civil service.

Section 2: Establishment of the Civil Service Commission

60. *Subsection (1)* gives effect to Schedule 1, which establishes the Civil Service Commission as a body corporate with legal personality.
61. *Subsections (3) and (4)* set out the main function of the Commission. This concerns recruitment to the Civil Service, covered in *sections 11 to 14*. Reference is also made to the Commission’s other functions concerning complaints to the Commission under the civil service and diplomatic service codes of conduct (*section 9*).