



# Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010

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## PART 1

THE COMMISSION FOR ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE IN  
SCOTLAND: THE PUBLIC STANDARDS COMMISSIONER FOR SCOTLAND  
AND THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS COMMISSIONER FOR SCOTLAND

### *The Commission and the Commissioners*

#### **5 Protection of Commission from actions for defamation**

- (1) For the purposes of the law of defamation, any statement made by the Commission in pursuance of its functions has qualified privilege.
- (2) In subsection (1), “statement” has the same meaning as in the Defamation Act 1996 (c. 31).