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## GENERAL NOTICE

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### NOTICE 686 OF 2015

#### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

1. Notice is hereby given that the draft Public Service Commission Amendment Bill and an explanatory memorandum are available on [www.psc.gov.za](http://www.psc.gov.za) for public comment.

The draft Amendment Bill amends amongst others, the Public Service Commission Act, 1997 to allow for the President to renew the term of office of a commissioner after consultation with the National Assembly and the provincial legislatures when the period for which the commissioner was appointed expires and also to give the chairperson powers prior to his or her absence to designate one of the commissioners to act as the chairperson during the absence of both the chairperson and the deputy.

**Electronic copies of the draft Amendment Bill and memorandum may be requested by/at:**

Tel: (012) 352 1188

Email: [thatosm@opsc.gov.za](mailto:thatosm@opsc.gov.za)

**Hard copies may be collected at:**

Legal Services

3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

Commission House

Cnr Hamilton and Ziervogel Streets

Arcadia

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2. All interested persons and organisations are invited to submit written comments on the draft Amendment Bill by no later than 03 August 2015 by-

(a) Email: [thatosm@opsc.gov.za](mailto:thatosm@opsc.gov.za)

(b) Faxing comments to:

Legal Services

Office of the Public Service Commission

Fax no: 086 219 4590

(c) posting comments to:

Director-General

Office of the Public Service Commission

Attention: Legal Services

Private Bag X 121

Pretoria

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3. Kindly provide the name, address, telephone and fax number, and email address of the person or organisation submitting the comments.

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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL

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*(As introduced in the National Assembly (proposed section 76); explanatory summary of Bill  
published in Government Gazette No.     of     ) (The English text is the official text of the Bill)*  
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(MINISTER OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATION)

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**GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:**

[            ]        Words in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from existing enactments.

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**B I L L**

**To amend the Public Service Commission Act, 1997 so as to align it with the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996; to provide a framework contemplated in section 219(5) of the Constitution for the determination of salaries, allowances and benefits for Commissioners of the Commission, to provide for a commissioner to act as the chairperson when both the chairperson and the deputy chairperson are absent; to empower the Public Service Commission to give directions relating to the values and principles that govern public administration, and to provide for matters connected therewith.**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa, as follows:—

**Amendment of section 4 of Act 46 of 1997**

1. Section 4 of the principal Act is hereby amended by the addition of the following subsections:

The President may renew the term of office of a commissioner after consultation with the National Assembly and the provincial legislatures as contemplated in section 196(10) of the Constitution when the period for which the member was appointed expires: provided that it shall not be necessary to repeat the procedure contemplated in subsection 4 (4)".

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**Amendment of section 5 of Act 46 of 1997**

2. Section 5 of the principal Act is hereby amended by the addition of the following subsection:

If the chairperson and the deputy chairperson are both absent for any reason, the chairperson shall prior to his or her absence designate one of the commissioners to act as the chairperson during the absence of both the chairperson and the deputy chairperson."

**Short title**

3. This Act is called the Public Service Commission Amendment Act, 2015.

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# IMPORTANT

## Information

### from Government Printing Works

Dear Valued Customers,

Government Printing Works has implemented rules for completing and submitting the electronic Adobe Forms when you, the customer, submits your notice request.

Please take note of these guidelines when completing your form.

#### GPW Business Rules

1. No hand written notices will be accepted for processing, this includes Adobe forms which have been completed by hand.
2. Notices can only be submitted in Adobe electronic form format to the email submission address [submit.egazette@gpw.gov.za](mailto:submit.egazette@gpw.gov.za). This means that any notice submissions not on an Adobe electronic form that are submitted to this mailbox will be **rejected**. National or Provincial gazette notices, where the Z95 or Z95Prov must be an Adobe form but the notice content (body) will be an attachment.
3. Notices brought into GPW by "walk-in" customers on electronic media can only be submitted in Adobe electronic form format. This means that any notice submissions not on an Adobe electronic form that are submitted by the customer on electronic media will be **rejected**. National or Provincial gazette notices, where the Z95 or Z95Prov must be an Adobe form but the notice content (body) will be an attachment.
4. All customers who walk in to GPW that wish to submit a notice that is not on an electronic Adobe form will be routed to the Contact Centre where the customer will be taken through the completion of the form by a GPW representative. Where a customer walks into GPW with a stack of hard copy notices delivered by a messenger on behalf of a newspaper the messenger must be referred back to the sender as the submission does not adhere to the submission rules.
5. All notice submissions that do not comply with point 2 will be charged full price for the notice submission.
6. The current cut-off of all Gazette's remains unchanged for all channels. (Refer to the GPW website for submission deadlines – [www.gpwonline.co.za](http://www.gpwonline.co.za))
7. Incorrectly completed forms and notices submitted in the wrong format will be rejected to the customer to be corrected and resubmitted. Assistance will be available through the Contact Centre should help be required when completing the forms. (012-748 6200 or email [info.egazette@gpw.gov.za](mailto:info.egazette@gpw.gov.za))
8. All re-submissions by customers will be subject to the above cut-off times.
9. All submissions and re-submissions that miss the cut-off will be rejected to the customer to be submitted with a new publication date.
10. Information on forms will be taken as the primary source of the notice to be published. Any instructions that are on the email body or covering letter that contradicts the notice form content will be ignored.

You are therefore advised that effective from Monday, 18 May 2015 should you not comply with our new rules of engagement, all notice requests will be rejected by our new system.

Furthermore, the fax number **012- 748 6030** will also be **discontinued** from this date and customers will only be able to submit notice requests through the email address [submit.egazette@gpw.gov.za](mailto:submit.egazette@gpw.gov.za).



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