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[Assented to 7 April 1997]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the Public Service Amendment Act 1997.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

3 Schedule(s)

Each Act that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Public Service Act 1922

1 Subsection 63JA(3)

After "63L(8)", insert "and (9)".

2 Subsection 63L(1)

After "is", insert "or was".

3 At the end of section 63L

Add:

- (9) If a person ceases to be an unattached officer but remains an officer:
 - (a) the person may be charged under this section with any misconduct committed while the person was an unattached officer; and
 - (b) this Subdivision applies to the person in relation to the charge; and
 - (c) any action may be taken by or against the person under this Subdivision in relation to the charge;

as if the person had remained an unattached officer.

- (10) Subsection (9) applies to a person who ceases to be an unattached officer, whether or not the cessation occurs after that subsection commences.
- (11) Subsection (9) applies to misconduct, whether or not the misconduct was committed after that subsection commences.

[Minister's second reading speech made in— House of Representatives on 4 December 1996 Senate on 13 February 1997]