

to the committee,

I would ask for clarification of clause 22, 23, 24.
"for misbehaviour"

"...because of physical or mental incapacity."

This may be intended to account for advanced decrepitude but is so vague that it could be applied to merely being acutely ill or displeasing the minister that could entrench a culture of political appointments.

106ZFF(2c) is a missed opportunity to legislate a requirement for non-compete clauses. Decisions and recommendations that benefit a conflicting interest that then goes on to hire the director as a consultant immediately upon termination. This may lead to larger remuneration packages but would give greater confidence to the public regarding "managable" conflicts of interest.

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