

## Scottish Commission for Human Rights Act 2006

## General

## 17 Protection from actions for defamation

- (1) For the purposes of the law of defamation—
  - (a) any statement made by the Commission—
    - (i) in conducting an inquiry,
    - (ii) in communicating with any person for the purposes of an inquiry, or
    - (iii) in a report of an inquiry,

has absolute privilege,

- (b) any other statement made by it in pursuance of the purposes of this Act has qualified privilege, and
- (c) any statement made to it in pursuance of those purposes has qualified privilege.
- (2) In subsection (1), "statement" has the same meaning as in the Defamation Act 1996 (c. 31).

## **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Scottish Commission for Human Rights Act 2006, Section 17.