



# Charities Act 1960

## CHAPTER 58

### CHARITIES ACT 1960

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- 1 (1) There shall be a Chief Charity Commissioner, and two...
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- 3 (1) The Commissioners may use an official seal for the...
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