

32. Chief executive officers and chief employees to comply with certain directions or instructions

- (1) In performing his or her functions, a chief executive officer or chief employee shall, subject to —
- (a) section 8 (2);
 - (b) any public sector standard or code of ethics; and
 - (c) any other written law relating to his or her department or organization,

comply with any lawful directions or instructions given to him or her from time to time by the responsible authority of his or her department or organization.

- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), to the extent that there is any conflict between —
- (a) section 8 (2) or any public sector standard or code of ethics (in this subsection referred to as **“the paragraph (a) provision”**); and
 - (b) any other written law relating to the relevant department or organization,

the paragraph (a) provision prevails.