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Section 2

AMENDMENT:

Insert the following sentence at the end of the second paragraph of proposed section 12.1: "If the decision is favourable, the Ethics Commissioner must give public notice, without disclosing the reasons for the decision."

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Section 3

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

- 3. Section 13 of the Act is amended
- (1) by replacing "The allowance" at the beginning of the first paragraph by "The transition allowance";
 - (2) by adding the following paragraph after the third paragraph:

"In the case of a resigning Member who obtained a favourable decision under section 12.1, the amount paid must be reduced by an amount equal to the employment, professional, business or retirement income the Member receives or is entitled to receive during the period defined in the third paragraph."

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Section 3.1

AMENDMENT:

Insert the following section after section 3:

- **3.1.** The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 13:
- "13.1. If, during the period defined in the third paragraph of section 13, the resigning Member who obtained a favourable decision under section 12.1 received or was entitled to receive employment, professional, business or retirement income, the resigning Member must file a written statement with the Ethics Commissioner within 60 days after the end of the period defined in the third paragraph of section 13, stating the nature and amount of the income. The Ethics Commissioner shall send the statement to the Secretary General of the National Assembly.

If the total amounts paid as a transition allowance exceed what the Member was entitled to, given the employment, professional, business or retirement income actually received, the former Member shall reimburse the overpayment.

If the former Member fails to file the required statement with the Ethics Commissioner within the time prescribed in the first paragraph, the Secretary General of the National Assembly must demand the full reimbursement of the transition allowance, unless the former Member subsequently files the required information with the Commissioner within a reasonable time."

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Section 4

AMENDMENT:

Replace by:

4. This Act comes into force on 12 November 2015.

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