

Integrity In Public Life Bill 2018

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Good evening,

Those fines under Section 54, especially in respect of bribery do not seem to be deterrents. They seem very weak and laughable. Bribes to secure costly or high valued projects may be largely significant. I recommend that the penalty be the lesser of:

- 1. \$500,000 and
- 2. the extent of the sum involved, whether agreed, promised or actually paid over; plus at least 20 years in prison.

To settle unpaid fines, the property of the perpetrator and his immediate family should be confiscated.

It seems that the Bill considers that whistle blowers would consist of public officials only. I don't see any protection for other persons who may want to disclose compelling information.

Please draw from the experiences of the other territories that have passed such bills.