

# **PGPA Act – section 20A**

## **Accountable authority instructions**

- (1) The accountable authority of a Commonwealth entity may, by written instrument, give instructions to an official of the entity about any matter relating to the finance law.
- (2) The accountable authority of a Commonwealth entity may, by written instrument, give instructions to an official of another Commonwealth entity in relation to:
  - (a) the official approving the commitment of relevant money for which the accountable authority is responsible; and
  - (b) the official banking, or otherwise dealing with, relevant money for which the accountable authority is responsible; and
  - (c) the official debiting or crediting an appropriation for which the accountable authority is responsible; and
  - (d) any matter prescribed by the rules that relates to the official dealing with public resources for which the accountable authority is responsible.
- (3) An instruction under subsection (1) or (2) is not a legislative instrument.