### The Broadcasting Authority Law 5725-1965

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Adopted by the Knesset on 4 Adar 5725 (March 8, 1965):

First Chapter		
Interpretation (replaced, 5729 20)	1.	In this law: "The Authority" – the authority established in accordance with this law; "The Broadcasts" – radio broadcasts and television broadcasts provided to the public; "The Minister" – the member of the government empowered by the government to implement this law; "The Director-General" – the director-general of the
The Broadcasts – A state Service (Replaced, 5729 20)	2.	Authority. The Authority shall maintain the Broadcasts as a state service.
The Functions of the Authority (Amended, 5729 20)	3.	<ul> <li>The Authority shall maintain the Broadcasts for the purpose of performing the functions of:</li> <li>A. Broadcasting educational, entertainment, and informational programs in the fields of policy, society, economy and industry, culture, science, and the arts, with the goal of:</li> <li>Reflecting the life, struggle, creativity, and achievements of the state;</li> <li>Nurturing good citizenship;</li> <li>Strengthening the bond with Jewish heritage and values and enhancing the knowledge thereof;</li> <li>Reflecting the life and cultural assets of all tribes of the people from the different countries;</li> <li>Expanding education and disseminating knowledge;</li> <li>Reflecting the life of the Jews in the Diaspora communities;</li> <li>Advancing the goals of state education as described in the State Education Law, 5713-1953;</li> <li>Promoting Hebrew and Israeli creativity;</li> <li>Maintaining Broadcasts in the Arabic language for the needs of the state;</li> <li>Maintaining Broadcasts for abroad.</li> </ul>
Ensuring Reliable	4.	The Authority shall ensure that the Broadcasts shall

Ensuring Reliable Broadcasting (Amended, The Authority shall ensure that the Broadcasts shall provide suitable expression of different approaches and

5729 20)		opinions current among the public, and that reliable
		information shall be broadcast.
The Authority is a	5.	The Authority is a corporation capable of any legal
Corporation		obligation, right, and action.
The Authority is an	6.	The Authority is an audited body as defined in Article
Audited Body		9(2) of the State Ombudsman Law, 5718-1958
-		(Combined Version). (Amended SB 5726; SB 5729, p.
		20; SB 5731, p. 108; 5734, p. 22).

#### **Second Part: The Plenum**

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The Composition of the Plenum

A. The Authority shall have a Plenum of thirty one members appointed by the President of the state, to whit:

- Thirty public figures recommended by 1. the after government consultation with the representative organizations of the authors, teachers, and artists in Israel; with the institutions of higher education and the Academy of the Hebrew Language; and with other public bodies that have an affinity to broadcasting matters, provided that these shall not include more than four civil servants; for the purpose of this paragraph, a teacher shall not be considered a civil servant.
- 2. One representative of the Jewish Agency as shall be recommended thereby.

B. The government shall appoint two of the members of the Plenum who are not civil servants as the chairperson of the Authority and as the deputy chairperson of the Authority.

C. A person who is associated with the Authority in a commercial or contractual employment agreement, or a person who has control in an associated corporation as stated, shall not be appointed as a member of the Plenum; the provision of this sub-section shall not apply to a person whose sole association with the Authority is participation in the broadcasting programs. D. An employee of the Authority, whether a permanent employee in the staff of the Authority or an employee in accordance with a special contract, shall not be appointed as a member of the Plenum.

A. The period of office of the Plenum shall be three years from the date of its appointment.

B. A member of the Plenum the period of whose office has terminated may be reappointed, provided that he shall not serve more than two consecutive periods of office.

C. In the case of a member of the Plenum appointed under Article 9(Q), the remainder of his period of office shall not be included in the reckoning of the

Period of Office of the Plenum and the Members Thereof (Replaced, 5729 20) 8.

		periods for the purpose of sub-section (B). D. The outgoing Plenum shall continue to serve pending the appointment of the next Plenum.
Cessation of Membership and Appointment of a Substitute (Amended, 5729 20)	9.	<ul> <li>A. If a member of the Plenum dies or resigns or is removed from office as stated in sub-section (B), or is convicted of an offense bearing shame, another person shall be appointed in his stead as stated in Article 7 for the remainder of the period of office of the Plenum.</li> <li>A1. The resignation of a member of the Plenum shall be in writing to the chairperson of the Authority, and the chairperson shall deliver this to the Minister after ninety six hours; the validity of the resignation shall be on the delivery of the notification to the Minister.</li> <li>A2. The resignation of the chairperson or the deputy chairperson or deputy chairperson shall be by notification to the Plenum and by written notification to the Minister; the validity of the resignation shall be ninety six hours after the delivery of notification to the Minister.</li> <li>B. A member of the Plenum who is absent without adequate reason from all the Plenum meetings during half a year may be removed from his office by the government in accordance with the recommendation of the resignation of the plenum descenter of the plenum descenter of the plenum here recommendation of the plenum here plenum here plenum here plenum for the plenum here plenum</li></ul>
Remuneration (Amended, 5729 20)	10.	the Plenum. A member of the Plenum shall be entitled to receive compensation for lost earnings and expenses in such rate as shall be determined in the Regulations; the chairperson and deputy shall be entitled to receive reasonable remuneration as shall be determined in the Regulations for the time they devote to performing their functions.
Plenum Meetings (Amended, 5729 20)	11.	The Plenum shall convene for its meetings six times a year, at least, and at any time in accordance with the request of ten of its members; the Director-General shall participate in the Plenum meetings with a consultative right of opinion.
The Procedure (Replaced, 5729 20)	12.	<ul> <li>A. The Plenum shall determine its working arrangement insofar as these were not determined by law.</li> <li>B. Sixteen members of the Plenum, including the chairperson or deputy, shall constitute a legal quorum at the Plenum meetings; if no legal quorum was present at the Plenum meeting, the chairperson shall convene the meeting for a second sitting within ten days from the date set for the previous meeting; this meeting shall be lawful with any number of participants.</li> <li>C. The Plenum is entitled to establish committees from among its number and to delegate of its authorities thereto in certain matters as shall be specified in the</li> </ul>

decision of the Plenum, provided that it shall not delegate to a committee any of its authorities in accordance with paras. (1) or (5) in Article 13. D. One-third of the members of a committee as stated in sub-section (C) are entitled to appeal to the Plenum against any decision of the committee taken contrary to their opinion. E. The Plenum is entitled to establish consultative committees for its various branches of activities, and these may include members of the Plenum and persons who are not members thereof. F. The deputy chairperson shall perform the functions of the chairperson and exercise his authorities if either of the following applies: The chairperson is absent or unable to perform 1. his function; He is asked so to do by the chairperson. 2. 12A. A. Ten members of the Plenum are entitled to appeal to the Minister against a decision taken contrary to their opinion. B. The appeal shall be submitted to the Minister via the chairperson of the Authority. C. After hearing the representatives of the appellants and the representatives of the majority in the Plenum, the Minister is entitled to reject the appeal; if he does not reject the appeal as stated, he shall forward it to the government for determination and shall delay the implementation of the decision pending the determination. D. The government shall receive from the Minister the content of the arguments of the appellants and of the majority in the Plenum and shall determine the appeal. The functions of the Plenum shall be: 13. A. To set the outlines for the operation of the Authority: AA. To discuss the reports of the committees established by the Authority; B. To guide the Executive Board in the fulfilling of its function: C. To authorize the seasonal framework of the Broadcasts, without derogating from its authority to decide, from time to time, on a specific broadcast from all aspects; 3A. To receive from the Executive Board the proposed ordinary budget and the development budget prepared thereby, to discuss these, and to forward its recommendations to the Executive Board: D. To receive from the Executive Board and from the Director-General, at its request, reports and reviews of routine operations, to discuss these, and to form

Appeal by Plenum Members (Added 5729 20)

The Functions of the Plenum (Amended, 5729 20)

conclusions; E. To discuss the annual report submitted thereto by the Executive Board and to form its conclusions; F. To discuss any other matter as it shall see fit and to form its conclusions.

### Third Chapter: The Executive Board

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The Executive Board (Amended 5729 20)	14.	<ul> <li>A. The Authority shall have an Executive Board of seven members, namely: The chairperson and deputy chairperson of the Authority, who shall serve as the chairperson and deputy chairperson of the Executive Board; and five further members of the Plenum who shall be appointed by the government for three years, provided that the entire Executive Board shall not include more than two civil servants.</li> <li>B. A person who has ceased to serve as a member of the Plenum shall cease to serve as a member of the Executive Board.</li> </ul>
Restriction on Business	15.	A member of the Executive Board shall not engage in any commercial or contractual transaction with the Authority and shall not be employed permanently by the Authority, whether for remuneration or without remuneration; the provision of this sub-section shall not apply to one-time participation in a broadcast program without remuneration with the consent of the Executive Board.
Resignation and Appointment of a Substitute Member (Replaced, 5729 20)	16.	<ul> <li>A. If a member of the Executive Board resigns his position or ceases to be a member of the Executive Board for another reason, another member shall be appointed in his stead, as stated in Article 14, for the remainder of the period of office of the Plenum.</li> <li>B. The resignation of a member of the Executive Board from his position on the Executive Board shall be by written notification to the chairperson, and the chairperson shall deliver this to the Minister after ninety six hours; the validity of the resignation shall be from the delivery of the notification to the Minister.</li> </ul>
Remuneration	17.	The provisions of Article 10 shall apply, mutatis
Subjugation to the Plenum (Replaced, 5729 20)	18.	mutandis, to the members of the Executive Board. The Executive Board shall act in accordance with the guidelines developed by the Plenum and in accordance with its decisions, conclusions, and instructions, and shall consider its recommendations, all as stated in Article 13.
The Functions of the Executive Board (Amended, 5729 20)	19.	<ul><li>The functions of the Executive Board are:</li><li>A. To discuss and decide on the Authority's affairs.</li><li>B. To receive reports from the Director-General on the regular operations of the Authority;</li><li>C. To prepare the ordinary budget and the development budget of the Authority for the financial year</li></ul>

		<ul> <li>commencing on April 1 of each year, and to submit these to the government for authorization, together with the recommendations of the Plenum as stated in Article 13(3A), provided that expenses covered not by the Authority's income but from the allocations of the State Treasury shall require the authorization of the State Treasury shall require the authorization of the Knesset;</li> <li>D. To supervise the implementation of the authorized budget in accordance with the usual financial and administrative procedures regarding the state budget;</li> <li>E. To submit an annual report to the Plenum on its operations, as well as any report as requested by the Plenum;</li> <li>F. To submit any report to the Minister as requested and to notify the Plenum thereof.</li> </ul>
Procedure on the	20.	The Executive Board shall determine the procedures
Executive Board		for its work, insofar as these were not established in this Law or in the Regulations in accordance therewith.
Appeal to the Plenum (Added, 5729 20)	20A.	The Executive Board is entitled to appeal to the Plenum against any decision of a committee made under the delegation of its authorities in accordance with Article $12(C)$ .
Appeal by Members of the Executive Board (amended, 5729 20)	21.	Two of the members of the Executive Board are entitled to appeal against any decision of the Executive Board taken contrary to their opinion, provided that at least one thereof shall not be a civil servant; the appeal shall be submitted to the Minister, who is entitled to delay the implementation of the decision and forward the appeal for determination by the plenum or for determination by the government.
Maintenance of Validity	22.	The existence of the Plenum of the Executive Board, the authorities thereof, and the validity of the actions thereof shall not be impaired on account of the vacation of the place of a member therein, or on account of any impropriety in the appointment or in the continued office thereof.

### Fourth Chapter: The Authority and the Employees

Appointment of a	23.	A. The Director-General shall be appointed in the
Director-General		manner stated in this article.
(Replaced, 5729 20)		B. If the position of the Director-General becomes
		vacant, the chairperson of the Authority shall, on the
		Minister's request, convene the Plenum to discuss the
		candidates for the position; the discussion shall take
		place within 30 days from the date of the request, and
		the Minister shall be invited to participate therein.
		C. If there is no legal quorum at the start of the
		discussion, the chairperson of the Authority shall
		convene the Plenum for a discussion to be held within
		ten days from the date determined for the previous
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discussion on the said matter shall be lawful with any number of participants, provided that the Minister shall be invited to participate therein. D. The Minister, or not fewer than nine members of the Plenum present at the discussion, are entitled to propose candidates for the position of Director-General. E. After the completion of the discussion in the Plenum, the Minister shall propose a candidate to the government from among the candidates proposed in the discussion in one of the two manners stated in subsection (D), and shall bring the content of the discussion to the government's attention. F. The government is entitled to appoint either of the following to the position of Director-General: A candidate proposed by the Minister; 1. 2. A candidate supported by a majority of the members of the Plenum present at the end of the discussion, provided that the number of supporters is not less than nine. G. If the government did not appoint a candidate as stated, all the procedures in accordance with this article shall be repeated. A. The appointment of the Director-General shall be Period of Office of the 23A. for five years, but his position shall become vacant prior thereto in the event of any of the following: If the Director-General resigns; 1. 2. If he is permanent unable, in the opinion of the government after consulting with the Executive Board, to fulfill his function; 3. If the government has decided to remove him from office in accordance with the proposal of the Minister, after consulting with the Plenum, or in accordance with the proposal of the Plenum supported by at least twenty one members of the Plenum. B. The provisions of Article 16(B) shall apply to the resignation of the Director-General. If the position of the Director-General becomes vacant, Appointment of an Acting 23B. or if he is temporarily absent or temporarily unable, in the opinion of the Minister after consulting with the chairperson of the Authority, to fulfill his function, the Minister shall, in consultation with the chairperson of the Authority, appoint an acting Director-General for a period of three months, and the Minister is entitled, after the said consultation, to extend the appointment for three additional months. 23C. The Director-General shall act in accordance with the Subjugation to the Executive Board (Added, decisions and guidelines of the Executive Board and

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5729 20)		shall participate in its meetings with a consultative right of opinion.
Hiring and Conditions of Employees (Amended, 5729 20)	24.	A. The hiring of the employees of the Authority and their appointments shall be undertaken by the Authority, and shall be as those of civil servants, with the adjustments as shall be determined in the Regulations in accordance with Article 52. B. The functioning, staff position, salary, pension, and conditions of employment of the employees of the Authority shall be as of those of civil servants of their professions, with reference to the special character of the unique functions in the Authority alone, and with recognition of the fact that these shall be determined, in accordance with the proposal of the Executive Board, by the Minister, after consultation with the Minister of Finance. C. The content of this article does not derogate from the authority of the Authority to sign special contracts with poets, authors, musicians, artists, producers, journalists, program editors, directors, and other participants in programs who shall be employed in temporary functions, for such periods or tasks and on such conditions as shall be determined, in accordance with the proposal of the Executive Board, by the Minister, after consultation with the Minister of Finance.
Transfer of Employees	25.	<ul> <li>A. The civil servants employed prior to the enactment of this Law in the Broadcasting Service in the Prime Minister's Office (hereinafter – Israel Radio), or employed in the studios of Israel Radio by the Ministry of Post, shall continue in their service as employees of the Authority, on conditions of employment that shall not be worse than their conditions of service prior to the enactment of this Law.</li> <li>B. The rights of the employees of the Authority transferred to its service and accruing from their work as civil servants as stated in sub-section (A) shall be considered rights accruing from their work in the service of the Authority.</li> <li>C. The arrangements regarding the crediting of the Authority for the amounts of the payments to which the employees transferred to its service shall be entitled shall be determined by agreement between the Authority and the government.</li> </ul>

## Fifth Chapter: Assets and Finances

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Assets, Rights, and	26.	The government shall make available to the Authority
Liabilities		all the assets held by Israel Radio and the studios of
		Israel Radio, including the facilities and equipment
		thereof, whether by way of sale or by way of the

		transfer of ownership in another manner, and whether by way of granting rights in the assets or in any other manner, all in accordance with such conditions as shall be determined by agreement between the government and the Executive Board. From the date that shall be determined in the said agreement, the Authority shall replace the state in any right, authority, and obligation incumbent on the state due to Israel Radio in accordance with any agreement or contract valid as of that date.
Moneys Allocated in the Budget	27.	All amounts allocated to Israel Radio in the budgeting law for the financial year in which the date of enactment of this Law falls, and which were not expended as of that date, shall be made available to the Authority.
Prohibition of the Transfer of Assets	28.	<ul> <li>A. The Authority shall not be entitled to sell or to transfer by other manner an asset in its ownership, with the exception of records and magnetic tapes, otherwise than with the authorization of the government, or of the member of the government determined therefore by the government, or – if the asset is real estate – with the authorization of the Knesset Finance Committee.</li> <li>B. The Authority shall not be entitled to mortgage an asset in its ownership or to let it for a period of more than ten years otherwise than with the authorization of the government; lease granting a right of renewal or extension and lease for an additional period which, together with the previous periods, exceeds ten years requires authorization as stated in this sub-section.</li> </ul>
Licenses for Receivers (Amended, 5729 20; 5734 22)	29.	<ul><li>A.</li><li>1. The Executive Board shall impose, in such manner as shall be determined in the Regulations,</li></ul>

The Executive Board shall impose, in such manner as shall be determined in the Regulations, a license for the possession of a radio receiver and a license for the possession of a television receiver, which shall include payment for the possession of a radio receiver; in the Regulations as stated, the date of payment of the licenses shall be determined, provided that it shall be permitted to pay the license for possession of a television receiver in two equal semi-annual payments; the Executive Board is further entitled to establish provisions in the Regulations as stated regarding the method of collection of the licenses, including coordinated collection and collection by banks.

2. The Executive Board is entitled to exempt, in such manner as shall be determined in the Regulations, certain types of holders of a radio

receiver or a television receiver from the obligation of notification in accordance with Article 29B, and from payment of part or all of a license imposed in accordance with this subsection.

B. If the license was not paid by the date determined in the Regulations, an arrears fine shall be added thereto in the following rates:

- 1. If two months have passed since the date determined for the payment of the license 20% of the rate of the license;
- 2. If five months have passed since the said date 40% of the rate of license;
- 3. If nine months have passed since the said date 60% of the rate of the license. For this purpose, "license" includes half the license for the possession of a television receiver.

C. The license and the arrears fine shall be collected in accordance with the Taxes Ordinance (Collection), as if these were a tax as defined in those Ordinances, except that section 12 of the said Ordinances shall not apply; however, the fine shall not be collected as stated, but after the Director-General, or a person authorized thereby, has sent written notification to the debtor stating the rate of the fine he is liable to pay and which is about to be collected in accordance with the said Ordinances (hereinafter – Fine Notification). Fine Notification regarding an arrear fine imposed under sub-section (B)(3) shall be sent by registered mail.

D. The Director-General, or a person empowered therefore by the Director-General, is entitled to reduce the level of the arrears fine or to waive it completely if it has been proved to his satisfaction that the arrears in the payment of the license was caused by circumstances not dependent on the person on whom the fine was imposed; a person who considers himself injured by the refusal to reduce or waive the fine is entitled, within fourteen days from the date on which he was notified of the refusal, to request that the Executive Board reconsider the matter, which decision of the Executive Board shall be final.

E. A person who received a Fine Notification and who claims not to be liable to the license or the fine as imposed is entitled, within thirty days from the date of receipt of the Fine Notification, to appeal to the magistrate's court in whose area of jurisdiction his residence is situated.

F. Section 5 of the Wireless Telegraph Ordinance shall not apply to the possession of a receiver on account of which an arrears fine was imposed.

Merchant's Obligation of Notification (Added, 5734 22)	29A.	A. A merchant who sold or let a radio receiver or a television receiver shall send notification thereof to the Broadcasting Authority in such manner, date, and in accordance with such details as shall be determined in the Regulations; if he fails to send notification as stated, he shall be liable to a fine of IL 1000. B. For the purpose of this article, a "merchant" is a person whose business or part of whose business is wholesale or retail trade in radio receivers or in television receivers.
Obligation of Notification of the Holder (Added, 5734 22)	29B.	A. A person other than a merchant who came into possession of a radio receiver or a television receiver requiring payment of a license shall forward notification thereof to the Broadcasting Authority, in such manner and in accordance with such details as shall be determined in the Regulations, within thirty days from the date on which the receiver came into his possession or within sixty days from the date of publication of the Broadcasting Authority Law (Amendment No. 4), 5734-1974, whichever is the later. B. A person who violates the provisions of sub-section (A) shall be liable to a fine of IL 500, and the court is also entitled to impose a double fine on account of the first year during which he was in possession of the receiver without forwarding notification or paying the license.
Development Fund	30.	The Authority is entitled to establish a fund for development purposes and to deduct sums from its income thereto.
The Budget	31.	The methods of preparation of the budget, its submission to the government for authorization, and the methods of authorization thereof shall be determined by the Minister of Finance in the Regulations.
Loans	32.	The Authority is entitled to receive loans for development purposes; the loans require the consent of the government and the authorization of the Knesset Finance Committee.
Authorization of the Finance Committee for the Licenses and Budget (Added, 5726 78)	32A.	Licenses in accordance with Article 29(A) and the budget in accordance with Article 31 require the authorization of the Knesset Finance Committee.

# Sixth Chapter: Miscellaneous

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Authority to Establish	33.	A. The Executive Board is entitled, with the
Rules (Amended, 5729 20)		authorization of the Minister, to establish rules for the
		management of the Authority, the supervision of the
		Broadcasts, and the effective performance of its
		functions in accordance with this Law.
		B. The Executive Board is entitled to empower the

		chairperson or deputy chairperson to sign the rules, and their signature shall be evidence that these were accepted by the Executive Board.
Publication of Rules	34.	Rules in accordance with this Law shall be published in the Records.
Publications (Amended, 5729 20)	35.	The Executive Board is entitled to issue publications including information about the content and Broadcasting schedule of the Authority and about material broadcasted, to disseminate Broadcasting material by such methods as shall be established in the rules, and to hold public performances intended for broadcasting.
Taxes	36.	For the purpose of the payment of taxes, stamp duty, licenses, municipal taxes, and other compulsory payments due to the state or to a local authority, the Authority is tantamount to the state.
Liability in Civil Damages	37.	For the purpose of the Civil Damages Law (State Liability), 5712-1952, with the exception of Article 4 thereof, the Authority is tantamount to the state.
Injunctions (Added, 5729 20)	37A.	
Copyright	38.	Copyright to a work prepared in accordance with the order of the Authority shall rest with the Authority, unless otherwise agreed between the person preparing the work or material and the Authority.
Restriction of Certain Publications in a Newspaper	39.	<ul> <li>A. A person shall not publish in a newspaper, without permission from the Authority, any aspect of the content of a public performance intended for broadcasting, if the performance has not yet been broadcast but has been held by the Authority, and if entrance is by invitation or for payment; a person who violates this provision shall be liable to a fine of IL 3,000.</li> <li>B. The content of sub-section (A) adds to any other law and does not derogate therefrom.</li> <li>C. For the purpose of sub-section (A), a "newspaper" is as defined in the Press Ordinance.</li> </ul>
Status of Authority Employees	40.	<ul> <li>The status of Authority employees is tantamount to that of civil servants for the purpose of these acts of legislation:</li> <li>1. Amendment of the Penal Code Law (Public Employees), 5717-1957;</li> <li>2. The Testimony Ordinance;</li> <li>3. The Civil Damages Ordinance, 1944;</li> <li>4. The Civil Service Law (Classification of Party Political Activity and Fundraising Campaigns), 5719-1959 (in this article – the Classification Law).</li> </ul>

Agreements with Foreign Bodies	41.	<ul> <li>B. The government shall determine, in consultation with the Knesset Labor Affairs Committee and through notification to be published in the Records, types of Authority employees to whom the prohibitions described in Article 1 of the Classification Law shall apply, permanently or for such period as shall be determined.</li> <li>C. The provisions of the Civil Service Law (Discipline), 5723-1963 shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to any offense against the Classification Law committed by an Authority employee; the content of this sub-section shall not prevent the government from exercising its authority in accordance with Article 75 of the said law with reference to the Authority.</li> <li>The Authority shall not sign an agreement with a foreign government, or with a body in a foreign country, or with a body the control of which is held by a person or a body situated in a foreign country, and shall not join international organizations, otherwise</li> </ul>
Transfer of Functions (Replaced, 5729 20)	42.	<ul> <li>than with the authorization of the government.</li> <li>A. The Authority shall not transfer any of its functions in accordance with this Law otherwise than in accordance with a decision of the Plenum of the Authority and clarification by the government, and the Plenum is entitled to decide on the conditions in which the function shall be transferred as stated.</li> <li>B. Sub-section (A) does not apply to the delegation of authorities in accordance with Article 12(C).</li> </ul>
Publication of Appointments	43.	Any appointment of members of the Plenum or of the Executive Board, of the chairperson and deputy chairperson, and of the Director-General, shall be published in the Records.
Broadcasts for Schools	44.	The Broadcast programs for schools require the authorization of the Minister of Education and Culture or of the person empowered therefore by the minister; the Minister of Education and Culture shall enact regulations for the purpose of this article after consultation with the Executive Board.
Use of the Channel (Added, 5729 20; Amended, 5739 108)	44A.	<ul> <li>A. The channel made available to the State of Israel for television broadcasts in accordance with international law shall be used:</li> <li>1. For the Authority's Broadcasts.</li> <li>2. For the broadcasts of the Educational Television for Schools.</li> <li>B. The arrangements for the use of the channel shall be determined by the Minister of Post together with the Minister, after consultation with the Executive Board and subject to sub-section (C).</li> <li>C. The arrangements for the use of the channel for the broadcasts of the Educational Television as stated in</li> </ul>

		sub-section $(A)(2)$ shall be determined by the Minister of Post and the Minister together with the Minister of Education and Culture, after the Minister has consulted with the Executive Board; if there are disagreements between the ministers, the government shall determine the matter.
Broadcasts of Films (Added, 5729 20)	44B.	The Minister, after consultation with the Executive Board, is entitled to establish in the Regulations the proportion of hours of broadcasting of full-length feature films, or of television films copied therefrom, and the overall hours of broadcasting, as well as the hours of the day during which films shall be broadcast as stated.
Technical Cooperation with the State	45.	The modalities of cooperation between the Authority and the state in all matters relating to the implementation of the technical and engineering services required for the implementation of the Broadcasts, as well as in all matters relating to the transfer of the studios, together with their facilities and equipment, to the possession of the Authority shall be determined by a committee to be appointed by the government and whose decisions shall be brought to the government for authorization.
The Government's Rights to Broadcasts (Amended, 5729 20)	46.	The government is entitled to the broadcasting of its notices, as well as notices of the GOC of the Israel Defense Force and the notices of the Head of the Civil Guard, by the Authority, in accordance with arrangements as shall be determined in the Regulations.
Cancellation of Authorities	47.	The government is entitled, whenever it sees the requirement therefore due to military need or the need of emergency conditions, to declare the cancellation or restriction of the Authority's authorities in accordance with this Law for a period of not more than thirty days; the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee is entitled, in accordance with a government proposal, to extend the period of the declaration for such period as shall be determined.
IDF Radio (Amended, 5729 20)	48.	<ul> <li>A. In this article, a "military program" is a program determined by the Minister of Defense as a military program for the purpose of this article, and such determination may be for a specific program or for a type of programs.</li> <li>B. Regarding the non-military programs of the radio Broadcasts of Galei Tzahal – The Radio Broadcasts of the Israel Defense Force (hereinafter – IDF Radio), the Broadcasting Authority shall have the same authorities it holds regarding the Authority's Broadcasts, and it shall fulfill the same functions regarding these programs.</li> <li>C. The arrangements for the supervision of the non-</li> </ul>

Non-Applicability (Amended, 5729 20)	49.	<ul> <li>military programs of IDF Radio shall be determined in the framework of the Rules the Executive Board is empowered to determine in accordance with Article 33; however, the Minister shall authorize the rules applying to IDF Radio only after consultation with the Minister of Defense.</li> <li>D. The person appointed by the Minister of Defense as the Commander of IDF Radio, or the person empowered thereby (in this article – the Commander) shall be invited to participate, with a consultative right of opinion, in the meetings of the Executive Board, and shall act in accordance with the decisions and guidelines of the Executive Board regarding the non-military programs of IDF Radio.</li> <li>E. The Commander is entitled to appeal against any decision by the institutions of the Broadcasting Authority relating to the non-military programs of IDF Radio; the appeal shall be submitted through the Minister of Defense for the joint determination of the Minister and the Minister of Defense; if the appeal is against a decision to discontinue a regular program of IDF Radio; or against a decision to broadcast a one-time program on IDF Radio – the Minister of Defense is entitled to delay the implementation of the decision pending the determination of the appeal.</li> <li>Without derogating from the provisions of any act of legislation establishing the obligation of police stations not made for the public;</li> <li>B. To broadcasts from military station or police stations not made for the public;</li> <li>B. To broadcasts that are not made for the public, as shall be determined in the Regulations to be enacted for the purpose of this article after consultation with the Minister of Post.</li> </ul>
Nullification	50.	Sections 5A – 5E of the Wireless Telegraph Ordinance are nullified.
Enactment	51.	The enactment of this Law is at the end of three months from the date of its adoption by the Knesset.
Implementation and Regulations	52.	The Minister is responsible for the implementation of this Law and is entitled, on the recommendation of the Executive Board, to enact Regulations for its implementation.
Shneur Zalman Shazar President of the State		Levi Eshkol Prime Minister

# The Broadcasting Authority Law 5725-1965 (Amendment No. 2) –

#### 1968

(Adopted by the Knesset on 3 Tevet 5729 (December 24, 1968); the proposed law and explanatory comments were published in PL 790, 5728, p. 376).

1-9 (integrated in the Law)

Transitional Provisions 30. A. The appointment of the Plenum of the Authority, the Executive Board, and the Director of the Broadcasting Authority shall expire at the end of three months from the enactment of this Law, or after the appointment of the Plenum of the Authority, the Executive Board, and the Director-General in accordance with this Law, all according to the earlier date. B. The period of office of a member of the Plenum prior to the enactment of this Law shall not be included in reckoning the periods for the purpose of Article 8(B) of the principal Law. C. Subject to the provisions of this Law, the government shall determine, in accordance with the proposal of the Minister after he has consulted with the Executive Board, the structure of the Authority pursuant to the inclusion of the television Broadcasts in the framework of the Authority, and including transitional arrangements. S

Shneur Zalman Shazar	Levi Eshkol	Israel Galili
President of the State	Prime Minister	Minister

# The Broadcasting Authority Law 5725-1965 (Amendment No. 4) –

#### 1973

(Adopted by the Knesset on 1 Kislev 5734 (November 26, 1973); the proposed law and explanatory comments were published in Proposed Laws 1055, 5733, p. 250). 1-2 (integrated in the Law)

**Transitional Provisions** 3. A. A person who, prior to the date of publication of this Law, paid a license for the possession of a radio receiver or a television receiver is exempt from the obligation of notification in accordance with Article 29B of the principal Law. B. A person who was in possession of a radio receiver or a television receiver prior to the date of publication of this Law, and who forwarded notification in accordance with Article 29B of the principal Law, is exempt from payment of licenses and arrears fines on account of the possession of the receiver through the said date, unless he already paid these or received notification to pay these prior thereto. C. Exemption from payment of a license granted

through the date of publication of this Law is considered to have been granted lawfully.

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# The Broadcasting Authority Law 5725-1965 (Temporary Provision) – 1976

(Adopted by the Knesset on 29 Tammuz 5736 (July 27, 1976); the proposed law and explanatory comments were published in PL 1255, 5736, p. 358).

Addition of a License for Receivers in 1976	1.	The Executive Board of the Broadcasting Authority, with the authorization of the Minister empowered to implement the Broadcasting Authority Law, 5725- 1965, and with the authorization of the Knesset Finance Committee, is entitled to impose additions to the license for the possession of a television receiver and a radio receiver determined in accordance with Article 29 of the said Law, to be added to the second biannual payment for 1976, and which shall constitute part thereof for any purpose and matter.	
Enactment	2.	The enactment of this by the Knesset.	Law is on the date of its adoption
Ephraim Katzir President of the State		Yitzhak Rabin Prime Minister	Aharon Yadlin Minister of Education and Culture