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■ **Parliament Clears 'Chief Election Commissioner and other Election Commissioners Bill, 2023'**

The 'Chief Election Commissioner and other Election Commissioners (Appointment, Conditions of Service and Term of Office) Bill, 2023' got the Parliament's nod replacing the outdated 'Election Commission (Conditions of Service of Election Commissioners and Transaction of Business) Act, 1991.' Key aspects of the Bill include provisions for the appointment, salary, and removal of the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) and Election Commissioners (ECs). The President, based on the Selection Committee's recommendation comprising the Prime Minister, a Union Cabinet Minister and the Leader of the Opposition or leader of the largest opposition party in the Lok Sabha, will appoint the CEC and ECs. A Search Committee, led by the Union Law Secretary, will propose a panel of names to the Selection Committee. The salary of the CEC and ECs will be equivalent to Supreme Court Judges.