New Clause 11

That Bill C-273 be amended in clause 10 by adding, immediately after line 6 at page 3, the following:

"11.(1) Notwithstanding any other Act, on application made to the Public Service Commission by a politically restricted employee, the Commission may, if it is of the opinion that the usefulness to the Public Service of the employee in the position the employee then occupies would not be impaired by reason of that employee having been a candidate, grant to the employee leave of absence without pay to stand as a candidate in a federal, provincial or territorial election, for a period commencing on such day as is determined by the Commission and ending on the day on which the results of the election are officially declared or on such earlier day as may be requested by the employee if the employee has ceased to be a candidate.

(2) Forthwith on granting any leave of absence under subsection (1), the Commission shall cause notice of its action to be published in the Canada Gazette."