service or employment, or both, under this Act, shall, for the purpose of determining his existing and accruing rights, be taken into account as if it were service in the Public Service of the Commonwealth and the Officers' Rights Declaration Act 1928-1940 applies as if this Act and the last two preceding sections had been specified in the Schedule to that Act.

Division 2.—Powers, Functions and Duties of the Commission.

General functions and duties of Commission. Sub-section (1.) amended by No. 90, 1947, s. 4.

- 19.—(1.) For the purposes of this Act and subject to the provisions of this Act and of the Air Navigation Regulations and with full regard to safety, efficiency and economy of operation the Commission may do all that is necessary or convenient to be done for, or as incidental to, in relation to, or in connexion with, the establishment, maintenance or operation by the Commission of airline services for the transport, for reward, of passengers and goods by air—.
 - (a) between any place in a State and any place in another State;
 - (b) between any place in any Territory of the Commonwealth and any place in Australia outside that Territory; and
 - (c) between any place in any Territory of the Commonwealth and any other place in that Territory, or for the transport of mails by air between any places in Australia in pursuance of an agreement entered into under section twenty-two of this Act.
- (2.) It shall be the duty of the Commission to exercise the powers conferred by the last preceding sub-section, as fully and adequately as may be necessary to satisfy the need for the services specified in that sub-section, and to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Amended by No. 90, 1947, (3.) The Commission, with the approval of the Minister, shall have, and may exercise in relation to airline services between any place in Australia and any place outside Australia, the like powers as it has in relation to airline services specified in sub-section (1.) of this section.

Intra-state services in pursuance of powers referred by State Parliaments. Inserted by No. 90, 1947,

- 19a.—(1.) Where the Parliament of any State has, prior to the commencement of this section, by any State Act, referred to the Parliament of the Commonwealth the matter of air transport, or the matter of the regulation of air transport, the Commission may, subject to this section, during the period of operation of that State Act, or during any extension of that period—
 - (a) establish airline services for the transport for reward of passengers and goods within that State; and
 - (b) maintain and operate airline services for any such transport,