

*These notes relate to the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland)
Act 2000 (asp 7) which received Royal Assent on 24 July 2000*

ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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The Act

Part 2

Enforcement

Section 8 Standards Commission for Scotland

19. This section provides for the establishment of the Standards Commission for Scotland and for its duties and functions: it should be read in conjunction with schedule 1. The Commission will have a minimum of three members, appointed by Scottish Ministers, after consultation with representatives of local government or any other persons they see fit. The section also provides for Ministers to confer additional functions relating to the conduct of councillors and members of devolved public bodies on the Commission by means of a statutory instrument subject to negative resolution. Ministers may give different directions to the Commission in relation to councillors and members of devolved public bodies. Provision is also made for the Commission to consult with the Accounts Commission for Scotland and the Commissioner for Local Administration in Scotland in relation to those of its functions which affect matters within the functions of those bodies.