



# Housing (Scotland) Act 2001

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### PART 5

#### STRATEGIC HOUSING FUNCTIONS

##### *Meaning of “fuel poverty”*

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- (1) For the purposes of this Part, a person lives in fuel poverty if that person is a member of a household with a low income living in a home which cannot be kept warm at a reasonable cost.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision, for the purposes of subsection (1), as to—
  - (a) what is—
    - (i) a household,
    - (ii) a low income,
    - (iii) a reasonable cost,
  - (b) the circumstances in which a home is to be regarded for those purposes as being warm.
- (3) Before making any such regulations, the Scottish Ministers must consult—
  - (a) such persons as appear to them to represent the interests of persons living in fuel poverty, and
  - (b) such other persons,as they think fit.