TRANSPORT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2001

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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Part 2

Bus Services

Quality contract schemes

Section 15 Consultation as to proposed quality contract schemes

32. This section sets out requirements as to consultation. A QC scheme may not be put to the Scottish Ministers for approval without prior consultation with the persons specified in section 15(3). These include bus operators, representatives of bus users, holders of public service vehicle operators' licences or community bus permits and the traffic commissioner. Authorities must give notice of proposed schemes in at least one local newspaper circulating in the area, and that notice must describe the proposed scheme or state where, in what form and at what times such details can be inspected. The authority may modify their proposals in the light of consultation prior to seeking approval from the Scottish Ministers.