

Water Industry (Scotland) Act 2002

PART 3

SCOTTISH WATER

Charges

[F129D Statements regarding charges

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) in respect of a period specified under section 29B(2), and
 - (b) by reference to such economic or other factors as they consider relevant, issue to Scottish Water and the Commission a statement of policy regarding charges under a charges scheme.
- (2) A statement under subsection (1) is to include provision with respect to harmonisation of charges (that is to say, provision with a view to ensuring that a charges scheme does not fix different charges for similar services provided to persons of a similar category).
- (3) A statement under subsection (1) may (so far as is consistent with the provision described in subsection (2)) include provision with respect to—
 - (a) the funding of particular services by charges for services as a whole,
 - (b) the proportion of the amount of income requiring to be raised by charges fixed by a charges scheme to be contributed by each category of person to whom Scottish Water provides services,
 - (c) the fixing of levels of charges by reference to—
 - (i) different categories of person to whom Scottish Water provides services, or
 - (ii) liability for council tax under Part II (Council tax: Scotland) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (c. 14), and
 - (d) such other matters as the Scottish Ministers think fit.
- (4) In preparing a statement under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must have regard to Scottish Water's duty under section 51(1).
- (5) Before issuing a statement under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must consult—

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- (a) the Commission,
- [F2(aa) every water services provider and sewerage services provider,]
 - (b) [F3Consumer Scotland],
 - (c) Scottish Water.]

Textual Amendments

- F1 Ss. 29-29G substituted for s. 29 (1.7.2005) by Water Services etc. (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 3), ss. 21(1), 37(2) (with s. 36); S.S.I. 2005/351, art. 2, sch. 2
- **F2** S. 29D(5)(aa) inserted (15.8.2011) by Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (asp 8), **ss. 130(5)**, 134(7)(8); S.S.I. 2011/278, art. 2(b)
- **F3** Words in s. 29D(5)(b) substituted (10.11.2022) by The Consumer Scotland (Transfer of Functions) Regulations 2022 (S.S.I. 2022/296), reg. 1(1), sch. para. 1(7) (with reg. 3)

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