

GAELIC LANGUAGE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION

Gaelic education

Section 9 – Guidance on Gaelic education

51. This section makes provision for the Bòrd to issue guidance in relation to Gaelic education. ‘Gaelic education’ is defined in section 10 as meaning education in the use and understanding of, education about and education by means of the Gaelic language.
52. Subsection (2) makes provision for the process for formulating guidance on Gaelic education to follow that which applies to guidance on the preparation of Gaelic language plans under section 8(2) to (8).
53. Subsection (3) inserts a new subsection (4A) into section 5 of the [Standards in Scotland’s Schools etc. Act 2000 \(asp 6\)](#). Section 5 requires education authorities in Scotland to produce an annual statement of improvement objectives which must include an account of the ways and circumstances in which they will provide (and, if provided, develop) Gaelic medium education. The new subsection (4A) requires an education authority when complying with the reporting requirements of that section to have regard to any Gaelic language plan published by it under section 5 of the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Act 2005 and any guidance issued by the Bòrd under section 9 of that Act.