*These notes relate to the Food (Scotland) Act 2015 (asp 1) which received Royal Assent on 13 January 2015* 

# FOOD (SCOTLAND) ACT 2015

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### THE ACT

#### Part 1: Food Standards Scotland

#### Section 5: Statement on performance of functions

10. FSS must develop a statement setting out how it will carry out its functions in order to meet its objectives and operate in accordance with section 4. This needs to be approved by the Scottish Ministers (with or without modifications) and laid before the Scottish Parliament. Having a published statement such as this will ensure transparency and public accountability, as it will be clear how FSS is aiming to perform its functions and how it intends to demonstrate that transparently. FSS must review the statement from time to time and consequently may submit a revised statement to the Scottish Ministers for approval and laying before the Scottish Parliament.