

## Fuel Poverty (Targets, Definition and Strategy) (Scotland) Act 2019 2019 asp 10

## Independent advisory panel

## 15 Funding of the Scottish Fuel Poverty Advisory Panel

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), the Scottish Ministers must provide such financial resources as they consider necessary to support the operation of the Scottish Fuel Poverty Advisory Panel.
- (2) The total costs for the operation of the Panel must not exceed £82,000, adjusted in accordance with subsection (3), in any operating period.
- (3) For the purpose of subsection (2), the sum of £82,000 is to be adjusted to reflect the percentage increase (if any) in the annual average consumer prices index from the day on which this section comes into force.
- (4) In subsection (3), the consumer prices index means the all consumer prices index published by the Office of National Statistics.
- (5) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations amend this section to replace references to one prices index with references to another.
- (6) In this section, an "operating period" is—
  - (a) the period of 3 years beginning with the day on which this section comes into force,
  - (b) each subsequent period of 3 years.