# **REGULATION OF CARE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2001**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### THE ACT

Commentary on sections

#### **Part 3: the Council**

#### **Codes of practice**

#### Section 53: Codes of practice

154. Under section 53 the Council is required to produce codes of practice for social service workers and for employers of such staff. No such nationally agreed codes exist at present. This is a fast developing field, therefore the codes will not be static. The Council will be obliged to gain consent from Scottish Ministers before publishing codes, and to consult the Commission, other bodies, persons and groups of persons that may be prescribed and anyone else, as appropriate. The Council shall keep the codes under review and amend them where it thinks necessary, consulting as above. Adherence to the codes will be taken account of in the work of the Commission.