



Prisons (Scotland) Act 1877

1877 CHAPTER 53

ADMINISTRATION OF PRISONS

Visiting Committee

15 Duties of visiting committee

The Secretary of State shall, on or before the commencement of this Act, make and publish, and may hereafter from time to time repeal, alter, or add to, rules with respect to the duties of a visiting committee, and such committee shall conform to any rules so made, but, subject as aforesaid, the members of such committee shall from time to time and at frequent intervals visit the prison for which they are appointed, and hear any complaints which may be made to them by the prisoners, and if asked privately. They shall report on any abuses within the prison, and also on any repairs which may be urgently required in the prison, and shall further take cognizance of any matters of pressing necessity, and do such acts and perform such duties in relation to a prison as they may be required to do or perform by the Secretary of State.

The visiting committee shall report to the Secretary of State any matters with respect to which they may consider it expedient, and shall report to the Secretary of State as soon as may be, and in such manner as he may direct, any matter respecting which they may be required by the Secretary of State to report.