

## Food Standards Act 1999

## **1999 CHAPTER 28**

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- (1) The Agency has the function of monitoring the performance of enforcement authorities in enforcing relevant legislation.
- (2) That function includes, in particular, setting standards of performance (whether for enforcement authorities generally or for particular authorities) in relation to the enforcement of any relevant legislation.
- (3) Each annual report of the Agency shall contain a report on its activities during the year in enforcing any relevant legislation for which it is the enforcement authority and its performance in respect of—
  - (a) any standards under subsection (2) that apply to those activities; and
  - (b) any objectives relating to those activities that are specified in the statement of objectives and practices under section 22.
- (4) The Agency may make a report to any other enforcement authority on their performance in enforcing any relevant legislation; and such a report may include guidance as to action which the Agency considers would improve that performance.
- (5) The Agency may direct an authority to which such a report has been made—
  - (a) to arrange for the publication in such manner as may be specified in the direction of, or of specified information relating to, the report; and
  - (b) within such period as may be so specified to notify the Agency of what action they have taken or propose to take in response to the report.