



# Inquiries Act 2005

## 2005 CHAPTER 12

### *Constitution of inquiry*

#### **11 Assessors**

- (1) One or more persons may be appointed to act as assessors to assist the inquiry panel.
- (2) The power to appoint assessors is exercisable—
  - (a) before the setting-up date, by the Minister;
  - (b) during the course of the inquiry, by the chairman (whether or not the Minister has appointed assessors).
- (3) Before exercising his powers under subsection (2)(a) the Minister must consult the person he proposes to appoint, or has appointed, as chairman.
- (4) A person may be appointed as an assessor only if it appears to the Minister or the chairman (as the case requires) that he has expertise that makes him a suitable person to provide assistance to the inquiry panel.
- (5) The chairman may at any time terminate the appointment of an assessor, but only with the consent of the Minister in the case of an assessor appointed by the Minister.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Inquiries Act 2005, Section 11.