



# Charities Act 2011

## 2011 CHAPTER 25

### PART 5

#### INFORMATION POWERS

##### *Inquiries instituted by Commission*

#### **46 General power to institute inquiries**

- (1) The Commission may from time to time institute inquiries with regard to charities or a particular charity or class of charities, either generally or for particular purposes.
- (2) But no such inquiry is to extend to any exempt charity except where this has been requested by its principal regulator.
- (3) The Commission may—
  - (a) conduct such an inquiry itself, or
  - (b) appoint a person to conduct it and make a report to the Commission.
- (4) This section and sections 47 to 49 (obtaining evidence and search warrants) have effect in relation to a body entered in the Scottish Charity Register which is managed or controlled wholly or mainly in or from England or Wales as they have effect in relation to a charity.