CHILDCARE PAYMENTS ACT 2014

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Penalties

Section 44: Penalties for providing inaccurate information or documents

- 191. Section 44 allows penalties to be imposed in cases where a person provides inaccurate information or documents to HMRC in response to an information notice.
- 192. Subsections (1) to (4) provide that a person who provides inaccurate information or documents in response to an information notice is liable to a penalty if:
 - the inaccuracy was careless or deliberate (an inaccuracy is careless if the person failed to take reasonable care);
 - they knew of the inaccuracy when they provided the information or documents, but did not tell HMRC about it; or
 - they became aware of the inaccuracy after they provided the information or documents, but they did not take reasonable steps to inform HMRC.
- 193. Subsection (5) provides that the maximum penalty for providing inaccurate information or documents is £3,000, which can be amended by regulations made under subsection (6).