# **REGULATION OF CARE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2001**

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### THE ACT

Commentary on sections

Part 1: the Commission and Care Services

# **Improvement Notices**

## Section 11: Special provision for certain care services provided by local authorities

- 60. This section adds to the provisions on improvement notices for local authority services registered under Part 1 to cover cases where the local authority considers that withdrawal of registration would place it in breach of a statutory duty.
- 61. Subsection (1) requires such a local authority to inform the Commission of its view within 14 days of receiving an improvement notice, giving the reasons. Subsection (2) requires the Commission then to copy the improvement notice to Ministers with the local authority's argument and their views on it. Subsection (3) requires Ministers to decide whether the local authority's view is justified. If it is, the care service is deemed to be registered under Part 2 and the provisions in that Part in relation to enforcement would apply. If it is not, the normal Part 1 arrangements would apply.