REGULATION OF CARE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2001

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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Commentary on sections

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Section 71: Amendment of Children Act 1975: maintenance payments to children

185. Local authorities use their discretionary powers to pay relatives or friends maintenance payments for children they look after. Payments are dependent on individual cases and the resources available to authorities. Section 71 increases the age limit of children for whom local authorities may make these payments from 16 to 18.