

SCHEDULE 3
AMENDMENTS OF THE [SCOTTISH PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN ACT 2002 \(ASP 11\)](#)

Annual reports

6 In section 17—

- (a) at the end of subsection (1) (duty to lay annual reports) there is inserted “during the reporting year”,
- (b) in subsection (2) (Ombudsman’s recommendations) for “period in question” there is substituted “reporting year”,
- (c) after subsection (2) there is inserted—
 - “(2A) A report under subsection (1) must be laid before the Parliament within seven months after the end of the reporting year.”,
- (d) in subsection (3) (directions as to form and content of reports) for “Parliament” there is substituted “Parliamentary corporation”,
- (e) after that subsection there is inserted—
 - “(3A) The Ombudsman must arrange for the publication of each report under subsection (1).”,
- (f) after subsection (4) there is inserted—
 - “(5) In this section, “reporting year” means the year beginning on 1 April.”