

## Legal Services (Scotland) Act 2010

## PART 1

THE REGULATORY OBJECTIVES ETC.

## Role of Ministers

## **5** Consultation by Ministers

- (1) Subsection (2) applies in relation to the exercise by the Scottish Ministers of their functions—
  - (a) under Parts 2 and 3, or
  - (b) under section 125(3) or otherwise arising by virtue of Part 4 (except sections 141(c) and 145(1)).
- (2) Where (and to the extent that) the Scottish Ministers consider it appropriate to do so in the case of an individual function, they must consult such persons or bodies as appear to them to have a significant interest in the particular subject-matter to which the exercise of the function relates.
- (3) The general requirement to consult under subsection (2) has effect in conjunction with, or in the absence of, any particular consultation requirement to which the Scottish Ministers are subject in a specific (and relevant) context.