



Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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PART 5

SOCIAL CARE AND SOCIAL WORK: SCRUTINY AND IMPROVEMENT

CHAPTER 2

SOCIAL SERVICES: INSPECTIONS

Inspections

55 Inspections at request of Scottish Ministers

- (1) SCSWIS must, at the request of the Scottish Ministers inspect—
 - (a) any social service that they may specify,
 - (b) the organisation or co-ordination of any social services that they may specify.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers may specify purposes for any inspection under this section.
- (3) An inspection under this section must be conducted in accordance with a timetable approved by the Scottish Ministers.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers may request under subsection (1) that there be conducted an inspection of—
 - (a) any services concerned in the relevant area,
 - (b) such of the services concerned provided in the relevant area as they may specify, or
 - (c) such of the services concerned provided to a particular child or other person or particular children or other persons as they may specify.
- (5) In paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (4), the “relevant area” is the whole of Scotland or such part of Scotland as the Scottish Ministers specify in their request.

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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 55 in force at 1.10.2010 for specified purposes by [S.S.I. 2010/321](#), [art. 3](#), [Sch.](#)
- I2** S. 55 in force at 1.4.2011 in so far as not already in force by [S.S.I. 2011/122](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch.](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Blanket amendment words substituted by [S.I. 2011/1043 art. 34](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- Pt. 5 Ch. 3A amendment to earlier affecting provision 2019 asp 6, s. 12(2) by [S.S.I. 2023/127 reg. 3\(4\)](#)
- Pt. 5 Ch. 3A inserted by [2019 asp 6 s. 12\(2\)](#)