## **FOOD (SCOTLAND) ACT 2015**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## THE ACT

Part 1: Food Standards Scotland

## Section 18: Serious failure

18. This section provides the Scottish Ministers authority to step-in where there has been a serious failure by FSS to meet its functions. Subsection (2) allows the Scottish Ministers to give FSS directions in order to remedy the failure. If FSS fails to comply with a direction, the Scottish Ministers can end the membership of all of FSS' members and carry out their functions until replacements are appointed.