



# Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016

## 2016 asp 16

### PART 4

#### GUIDANCE, CODE OF CONDUCT AND PUBLIC AWARENESS

#### 43 Parliamentary guidance

- (1) The Parliament must publish guidance on the operation of this Act (referred to in this Act as “the parliamentary guidance”).
- (2) The guidance must in particular include provision about—
  - (a) the circumstances in which—
    - (i) a person is or is not, for the purposes of this Act, engaged in regulated lobbying, and
    - (ii) a communication is of a kind mentioned in the schedule,
  - (b) voluntary registration,
  - (c) the Clerk's functions under this Act.
- (3) Before publishing the guidance, any revision to it or replacement of it, the Parliament must consult the Scottish Ministers.

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#### Commencement Information

**II** [S. 43](#) in force at 6.9.2017 by [S.S.I. 2017/201](#), [reg. 2\(e\)](#)

#### 44 Code of conduct for persons lobbying MSPs

- (1) The Parliament must publish a code of conduct for persons lobbying members of the Parliament.
- (2) The Parliament must, from time to time, review the code of conduct and may, if it considers it appropriate, publish a revised code of conduct.
- (3) In this section, “lobbying” means making a communication of any kind to a member of the Parliament in relation to the member's functions.

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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016, PART 4. (See end of Document for details)

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**Commencement Information**

**I2** [S. 44](#) in force at 6.9.2017 by [S.S.I. 2017/201](#), [reg. 2\(f\)](#)

**45 Public awareness and understanding of Act**

The Parliament may take such steps as it considers appropriate to promote public awareness and understanding of the operation of this Act.

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**Commencement Information**

**I3** [S. 45](#) in force at 6.9.2017 by [S.S.I. 2017/201](#), [reg. 2\(g\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

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