SCOTTISH FISCAL COMMISSION ACT 2016

EXPLANATORY NOTES

OVERVIEW OF THE ACT

Transitional and consequential

Section 28 - Initial members

46. As the Commission was already in existence on a non-statutory basis at the time of the passage of this Act, section 28 provides for the chair and members of the non-statutory Commission to immediately form the first Commission as soon as the relevant sections of the Act come into force. The terms for the appointment are to carry over from when the member or chair was appointed to the non-statutory Commission.

Section 29 - Amendment of public bodies' legislation

47. Section 29 amends relevant public bodies legislation so as to encompass the new Scottish Fiscal Commission. One of the effects is that the Commission is made subject to the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (asp 7) and the other Acts generally applicable to devolved public bodies.