

# Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005 2005 asp 6

# FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

# PART 1

# FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION ETC.

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SCHEDULE 1 — The Scottish Further and Higher Education Funding Council

#### Status

1 (1) The Council is a body corporate.

#### Membership of the Council

- 2 (1) The Council is to consist of the following members—...
- 3 (1) In appointing members, the Scottish Ministers are to have...

#### Disqualification from membership

4 (1) A person is disqualified from appointment, and from holding...

#### Remuneration, allowances and pensions for members

5 (1) The Council is to pay to its members (apart...

#### Chief executive

6 (1) The Council is to employ a chief executive.

# Other staff

7 (1) All staff employed, immediately before the coming into force...

#### Continuity of employment etc.

8 (1) The contract of employment of a person transferred by...

# Transfer of property and liabilities

9 (1) All property (including rights) and liabilities, subsisting immediately before...

# Proceedings of the Council

10 (1) The Council may regulate its own procedure (including any...

# Committees

- 11 (1) The Council must establish a committee (a "skills committee")...
- 12 (1) The Council must establish a committee (a "research committee")...
- 13 The Council may establish other committees for any purposes relating...
- 14 (1) The Council is to— (a) subject to paragraphs 11(2)...

# Delegation of functions

15 (1) The Council may authorise— (a) the chief executive;

#### Participation of Scottish Ministers at meetings

16 A representative of the Scottish Ministers is entitled to participate...

#### Accounts

17 (1) The Council must— (a) keep proper accounts and accounting...

# Reports and information

18 (1) As soon as practicable after the end of each...

SCHEDULE 2 — Fundable bodies

# Institutions formerly eligible for funding by the Scottish Further Education Funding Council

...... Ayrshire College ...... Borders College...

# Institutions formerly eligible for funding by the Scottish Higher Education Funding Council

Abertay University ... ... Edinburgh Napier University Glasgow Caledonian University...

# Other institutions

SCHEDULE 2A — Regional strategic bodies
PART 1 — REGIONAL BOARDS
Regional Board for Glasgow Colleges Regional Board for Lanarkshire
Colleges...
PART 2 — OTHER REGIONAL STRATEGIC BODIES
New College Lanarkshire University of the Highlands and Islands

# SCHEDULE 2B — Regional boards

# Regional boards

1 (1) References in this schedule to "the board" are references...

#### Status

2 (1) The board is a body corporate.

#### Membership

3 (1) The board is to consist of no fewer than...

#### Student members

4 (1) The students' associations of the board's colleges are each...

# Election of staff and student members

5 (1) An election to appoint members in pursuance of paragraph...

# Disqualification from membership

6 (1) A person is not eligible for appointment as a...

# Terms and conditions

7 (1) Subject to the other provisions of this Act—

Remuneration and allowances

8 (1) The board is to pay to its chairing member...

#### Resignation and removal of members

9 (1) The chairing member may by giving notice in writing...

#### Staff

10 (1) The board may (subject to any directions given under...

#### Proceedings of the board

11 (1) The board may regulate its own procedure (including any...

#### *Committees*

12 (1) The board may establish committees. (2) The board is...

# Participation at meetings

13 Unless the chairing member determines otherwise, a person who is...

# General powers

14 (1) The board may (subject to sub-paragraphs (2) to (9))...

# Goods and services

15 The board may, for the purposes of providing support for...

#### Delegation of functions

16 (1) The board may authorise—(a) the chairing member;

### Accounts

17 (1) The board must— (a) keep proper accounts and accounting...

#### Modification

18 (1) The Scottish Ministers may by order modify this schedule...

SCHEDULE 3 — Amendment of enactments

Superannuation Act 1972 (c. 11)

1 In the Superannuation Act 1972, in Schedule 1(kinds of employment,...

House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 24)

2 In the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975, in Part...

Sex Discrimination Act 1975 (c. 65)

3 In the Sex Discrimination Act 1975, section 23B is repealed....

Race Relations Act 1976 (c. 74)

4 In the Race Relations Act 1976— (a) section 18B; and...

Education Reform Act 1988 (c. 40)

5 In section 235 (general interpretation) of the Education Reform Act...

Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 (c. 37)

6 (1) In the 1992 Act— (a) in section 3 (powers...

*Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998 (c. 30)* 

7 In the Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998—

Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000 (asp 1)

- 8 In the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000, in...
  - Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (asp 7)
- 9 In the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act...

Education (Graduate Endowment and Student Support) (Scotland) Act 2001 (asp 6)

10 Amendment of enactments

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 (asp 11)

11 In the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002, in schedule...

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (asp 13)

12 In the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, in schedule...

Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (asp 4)

13 In the Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act...

The Scottish Further Education Funding Council (Establishment) (Scotland) Order 1998 (S.I. 1998/2667)

14 The Scottish Further Education Funding Council (Establishment) (Scotland) Order 1998...

# Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005.