

# **RESERVOIRS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2011**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION**

#### **Part 1 – Reservoirs**

#### ***Chapter 4 – Panels of Reservoir Engineers***

#### ***Section 27 – Panels of Engineers***

46. Engineers play an important role in the system of supervision, inspection, certification and reporting established by the Act. Section 27 obliges the Scottish Ministers to establish one or more panels of reservoir engineers for the purposes of the Act and to appoint civil engineers who they consider fit and appropriately qualified to be members of those panels. Only engineers who are members of the appropriate panel may be appointed as engineers under the Act.

#### ***Section 28 – Appointments and removal of panel members***

47. [Section 28](#) sets out detailed provisions for the appointment of engineers to (and their removal from) panels established under [section 27](#).

#### ***Section 29 – Dissolution of panels etc.***

48. [Section 29](#) enables the Scottish Ministers to dissolve a panel established under [section 27](#).

#### ***Section 30 – Review of decisions to appoint or remove civil engineers from panels etc***

49. [Section 30](#) enables civil engineers who have applied to the panel or been removed from a panel to apply to the Scottish Ministers for a review of their decision.

#### ***Section 31 – Consultation with Institution of Civil Engineers***

50. This section places a duty on the Scottish Ministers to consult the President of the Institution of Civil Engineers before establishing a panel, making an appointment to a panel, or taking other specified steps in relation to panels. Subsection (2) enables the Scottish Ministers to reimburse the Institution of Civil Engineers for any expenses they incur under this section.