EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force Part 1 of the Act together with certain minor and consequential amendments relating to the provisions of Part 1, contained within Schedule 1 of the Act.

Part 1 of the Act provides a new power for the Scottish Ministers to direct managers of grant-aided schools and education authorities to take specific action to secure improvement as identified after inspection by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education. It sets out the circumstances in which the Scottish Ministers are allowed to use this power, the procedure which requires to be followed, and the purpose and nature of the enforcement direction which may be given.