2021 No. 471

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Equality Act 2010 (Specification of Public Authorities) (Scotland) Order 2021

Made - - - - 14th December 2021

Coming into force - - 23rd December 2021

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 151(3) of the Equality Act 2010(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

In accordance with section 152(3) of that Act(b), the Scottish Ministers have consulted the Commission for Equality and Human Rights.

In accordance with section 210(2) of that Act, a draft of this Order has been laid before and approved by resolution of the Scottish Parliament.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Equality Act 2010 (Specification of Public Authorities) (Scotland) Order 2021 and comes into force on 23 December 2021.

Amendment of schedule 19 of the Equality Act 2010

2. In Part 3 of schedule 19 of the Equality Act 2010 (public authorities: relevant Scottish authorities)(c), at the end insert—

"Other body added on 23rd December 2021

South of Scotland Enterprise(d).".

IVAN McKEE Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 14th December 2021

⁽a) 2010 c. 15.

⁽b) Section 152(3) was amended by section 37(7) of the Scotland Act 2016 (c. 11).

 $[\]begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{(c)} & Part 3 of schedule 19 has been relevantly amended by S.S.I. 2020/313 and S.S.I. 2020/401. \end{tabular}$

⁽d) South of Scotland Enterprise is established by section 1 of the South of Scotland Enterprise Act 2019 (asp 9).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order adds South of Scotland Enterprise to the list of Scottish public authorities in Part 3 of schedule 19 of the Equality Act 2010 ("the Act"). The public authorities listed in that Part are subject to the public sector equality duty in section 149 of the Act.

The public sector equality duty is to have regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Act, to advance equality of opportunity, and to foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

An Equality Impact Assessment has been prepared and is available online at www.legislation.gov.uk.

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