POLICY NOTE

THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD (INCORPORATION) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2024 (COMMENCEMENT) REGULATIONS 2024

SSI 2024/13

The above instrument was made in exercise of the powers conferred by section 40(2)(b) of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Scotland) Act 2024. The instrument is subject to no procedure.

Summary Box

To commence sections 1, 2, 10B, 16A, 37 and the schedule of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Act 2024

Policy Objectives

The purpose of this instrument is to commence sections of the Act early to assist implementation of the remaining provisions of the Act at commencement, which in accordance with section 40(2)(a) of the Act will occur in July 2024.

EU Alignment Consideration

This instrument is not relevant to the Scottish Government's policy to maintain alignment with the EU.

Consultation

Stakeholders who are members of the oversight strategic implementation board are in full support of the early commencement of these provisions. The Cabinet Sub Committee for Legislation has approved early commencement.

COSLA consider that it is essential for these provisions to be commenced as early as possible.

Impact Assessments

There are no impact assessments required for these regulations.

Financial Effects

The Minister for Children Young People and Keeping the Promise confirms that no BRIA is necessary as the instrument has no financial effects on the Scottish Government, local government or on business.

Scottish Government Children and Families Directorate

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