

*These notes refer to the Education Act 2005 (c.18)
which received Royal Assent on 7 April 2005*

EDUCATION ACT 2005

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

Part 1: School Inspections and Other Inspections by School Inspectors

Chapter 1 – School Inspectors and School Inspections: England

Section 2: Functions of Her Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Schools in England

26. This section re-enacts section 2(1) to (6) of SIA 1996, with the exception of the duty on the Chief Inspector to maintain a register of inspectors and the regulatory duties related to the system of inspection by registered inspectors.
27. *Subsection (1)* adds four further elements to the matters listed in SIA 1996 section 2(1) about which the Chief Inspector must keep the Secretary of State informed. These are:
- i) the extent to which the education provided by schools in England meets the needs of the range of pupils (*subsection (1)(b)*);
 - ii) the contribution made by schools in England to the well-being of their pupils (*subsection (1)(f)*). Well-being is defined in section 11 having regard to the matters mentioned in section 10(2) of the Children Act 2004, namely:
 - a) physical and mental health and emotional well-being;
 - b) protection from harm and neglect;
 - c) education, training and recreation;
 - d) the contribution made by them to society;
 - e) social and economic well-being;
 - iii) the extent to which schools in England are developing rigorous internal procedures of self-evaluation; and
 - iv) the behaviour and attendance of pupils at schools in England.