

*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 3 – School Inspectors and School Inspections: Wales

Section 28 and Schedule 4: Duty to arrange regular inspections of certain schools

68. These re-enact section 10 of, and Schedule 3 to, SIA 1996 in their application to Wales. Section 28 lists those schools which are required to be inspected under that section at intervals to be prescribed in regulations made by the Assembly, and sets out those matters on which an inspector must report. Schedule 4 deals with arrangements for selection of inspectors; the composition of inspection teams; enrolment of persons who may act as inspection team members; training for inspections; meetings with parents of schools being inspected; rights of entry for the purposes of inspection; and replacement of an inspector during the course of an inspection.
69. New provision is made in *subsection (1)* of section 28 allowing inspections to be carried out by HMI or a registered inspector. This gives the Chief Inspector the discretion to choose whether to use a registered inspector or HMI.
70. *Subsection (5)* makes new provision extending the duty of any inspector conducting an inspection under this section to report on the following matters:
- i) *subsection (5)(b)*: how far the education provided in the school meets the needs of the range of pupils at the school; and
 - ii) *subsection (5)(f)*: the contribution made by the school to the well-being of those pupils.