

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

# **EDUCATION ACT 2005**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY**

#### **Part 1: School Inspections and Other Inspections by School Inspectors**

##### *Chapter 6 – Other Inspections: England and Wales*

##### *Section 57: Inspections under sections 55 and 56*

130. This section makes new provision, setting out the procedures for inspections in Wales under sections 55 and 56. Such inspections have to be carried out by HMI or an additional inspector, in accordance with Assembly instructions or guidelines. Provision is made for rights of entry for inspectors, including rights to inspect records and documents and to take copies as required for the purposes of an inspection. *Subsection (5)* provides that it is an offence to obstruct an inspector or a person assisting him. *Subsections (7) and (8)* detail arrangements for the preparation of inspection reports.
131. *Subsections (9) and (10)* provide a new regulation-making power for the Assembly. In these regulations the Assembly will be able to require a person inspected under sections 55 or 56 to prepare a written statement in response to an inspection report, and to set out matters to be covered in the statement, the timescale for its preparation and publication arrangements.