



# Education Act 2005

## 2005 CHAPTER 18

### PART 1

#### SCHOOL INSPECTIONS AND OTHER INSPECTIONS BY SCHOOL INSPECTORS

### CHAPTER 6

#### OTHER INSPECTIONS: ENGLAND AND WALES

#### *[<sup>F1</sup>local authority] inspections*

#### **51 Power of [<sup>F1</sup>local authority] to inspect maintained school for specific purpose**

(1) Where—

- (a) for the purpose of enabling them to exercise any [<sup>F2</sup>education] function of theirs, a [<sup>F1</sup>local authority] require information about any matter in connection with a school which is maintained by them, and
- (b) it is not reasonably practicable for them to obtain the information in any other manner,

they may cause an inspection of the school to be made by one or more of their officers for the purpose of obtaining the information.

(2) An officer of a [<sup>F1</sup>local authority] inspecting a school under this section has at all reasonable times a right of entry to the premises of the school.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in Act substituted (5.5.2010) by [The Local Education Authorities and Children's Services Authorities \(Integration of Functions\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/1158\)](#), **Sch. 2 para. 13(2)**
- F2** Word in s. 51(1)(a) inserted (5.5.2010) by [The Local Education Authorities and Children's Services Authorities \(Integration of Functions\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/1158\)](#), art. 1, **Sch. 2 para. 13(4)**

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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Education Act 2005, Section 51. (See end of Document for details)

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**Commencement Information**

- II** S. 51 wholly in force; s. 51 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 125; s. 51 in force for E. at 1.9.2005 by [S.I. 2005/2034](#), **art. 4**; S. 51 in force for W. at 1.9.2006 by [S. I. 2006/1338](#), **art. 3**, **Sch. 1**

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