

EDUCATION AND INSPECTIONS ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

Part 3: Further Provisions about Maintained Schools

Section 56: Charges for music tuition

257. *Section 56* amends sections 451 and 456 of the 1996 Act, which set out the circumstances in which charges can be made for tuition in playing a musical instrument. Under section 451 of the 1996 Act no charge may be made where the tuition is required as part of a syllabus for a prescribed public examination, or is provided as part of the implementation of the National Curriculum. However, where neither of these two circumstances applies, a charge may be made for tuition in playing a musical instrument given either to individuals or to groups of not more than four pupils. At present, no charges can be made for vocal tuition provided during school hours under any circumstances.
258. Section 456 of the 1996 Act states that, where charges are made for instrumental tuition, that charge can include the cost of teaching staff employed to provide that tuition.
259. *Subsection (1)* substitutes section 451(3) to introduce a regulation making power which enables regulations to be made to prescribe the circumstances under which charges can be made for singing and musical instrument tuition.