

*These notes relate to the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland)
Act 2000 (asp 7) which received Royal Assent on 24 July 2000*

ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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The Act

Part 2

Enforcement

Section 9 Appointment of Chief Investigating Officer and staff

20. This section provides for the appointment by Ministers of a Chief Investigating Officer (CIO) to investigate and report to the Commission on cases where it is alleged that a councillor or member of a public body has contravened a relevant code: it should be read in conjunction with schedule 2. The CIO may employ people to assist him or her in carrying out his or her work, on such terms and conditions as the CIO, with the consent of Ministers, may determine. The CIO may delegate functions to such persons. Anyone who is a member of the Commission, a Scottish local authority or any committee or sub-committee of a Scottish local authority, a joint board or joint committee, or a member of a devolved public body, may not be appointed under this section.