

# Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 2001 asp 10

## PART 3

## **REGULATION OF SOCIAL LANDLORDS**

## CHAPTER 2

## LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING MANAGEMENT

## 72 Inspections

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may appoint a person to carry out an inspection of the exercise of the functions of a local authority in relation to the provision of housing accommodation and related services.
- (2) A person appointed to carry out an inspection under subsection (1) (an "inspector") has a right of access at all reasonable times to—
  - (a) any premises of the local authority, and
  - (b) any document relating to the authority which appears to the inspector to be necessary for the purposes of the inspection.
- (3) An inspector may—
  - (a) require a person holding or accountable for any such document to provide the inspector with such information and explanation as the inspector thinks necessary,
  - (b) require that person to attend before the inspector in person to give the information or explanation or to produce the document.
- (4) The local authority must provide an inspector with every facility and all information which the inspector may reasonably require for the purposes of the inspection.
- (5) An inspector must, if so required, produce written authorisation for the carrying out of the inspection.
- (6) A person who fails, without reasonable excuse, to comply with a requirement of an inspector under this section is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.