

These notes relate to the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 (asp 11) which received Royal Assent on 23 April 2002

SCOTTISH PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN ACT 2002

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Miscellaneous and general

Section 21 – Consultation and co-operation with other Commissioners and Ombudsmen

73. This section makes provision for the Ombudsman, where he or she considers that a complaint or request he or she has received relates partly to a matter which could be the subject of an investigation by other Commissioners and Ombudsmen, to consult those Commissioners and Ombudsmen. The Commissioners and Ombudsmen covered by this section are specified in *subsection (1)*.
74. *Subsection (4)* requires the Ombudsman to co-operate with the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration where the complaint relates to an authority which is also subject to investigation by that Commissioner.
75. *Subsection (5)* ensures that section 19(1) does not prevent the disclosure of information for the purposes of this section.