

These notes relate to the Scottish Qualifications Authority Act 2002 (asp 14) which received Royal Assent on 6 June 2002

SCOTTISH QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY ACT 2002

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON THE ACT

Section 3 - Advisory Council: power to establish

15. **Section 3** gives the Scottish Ministers a power to make regulations to establish an Advisory Council. The purposes of the Council will be to consider and advise on matters relating to the qualifications which are devised or awarded by the SQA, or to the functions and procedures of the SQA. The Council may provide advice to the SQA or to the Scottish Ministers on these issues (either at the request of the SQA or Ministers or on the Council's own initiative). Subsection (2) sets out particular matters that may be provided for by regulations under this section, including the appointment of a convener of the Council. Subsection (3) provides that only a member of the SQA may be appointed as convener of the Council. Subsection (1) enables incidental or supplementary provisions relating to the Council to be included in any regulations that the Scottish Ministers make.
16. Regulations made under this section will be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of the Scottish Parliament.