

*These notes relate to the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland)  
Act 2005 (asp 13) which received Royal Assent on 5 August 2005*

# **SMOKING, HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **SCOTTISH HOSPITAL ENDOWMENTS RESEARCH TRUST**

#### ***Section 38 – Scottish Hospital Endowments Research Trust***

181. The Scottish Hospital Endowments Research Trust is a self-financing Non Departmental Public Body and a registered charity established, in 1953 by Act of Parliament, to receive and hold endowments, donations and bequests and to make grants from these funds to support medical research in Scotland. Subsection (2) repeals the Scottish Ministers' responsibility for the Research Trust.
182. Subsection (3) substitutes paragraphs concerning the membership of the Research Trust.
183. New paragraph 3A provides for the continuation of existing members of the Research Trust, and makes them subject to the new terms and conditions of appointment of members determined by the Research Trust when those new terms and conditions are determined, or after a period of 90 days, whichever occurs first. This provision seeks to provide sufficient time within which the Research Trust can draft and agree its new terms and conditions.
184. New paragraph 3B sets out the terms of office of the membership of the Research Trust, the tenure of office - specifying that a single term of appointment shall not exceed 4 years - and vacation from office.
185. New paragraph 3C provides for single term of reappointment.
186. New paragraph 3D replaces section 12 (3(d)) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 with new provisions for the reimbursement of expenses of the membership of the Research Trust.
187. New paragraph 3E provides for the Research Trust to appoint staff on such terms and conditions as they think appropriate.
188. New 3F provides the necessary provisions for the self regulation of the Research Trust, and requires standing orders to be made within a 90 day period.
189. New 3G provides for the Research Trust to be able to do anything necessary or expedient to enable them to exercise their functions.