

WATER SERVICES ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Schedule A1: Water Industry Commission for Scotland

Paragraph 7: Chief executive

217. **Paragraph 7** requires the Commission to employ a chief executive and makes provision regarding their appointment and employment.
218. Sub-paragraph (2) provides that Scottish Ministers will appoint the first chief executive of the Commission and determine the appointee's terms and conditions. Sub-paragraph (3) ensures that before they do this, Scottish Ministers will consult the chairman or prospective chairman of the Commission, if that person has been identified.
219. Sub-paragraph (4) provides that the Commission will appoint subsequent chief executives on such terms and conditions as they determine, subject to the approval of Ministers.
220. Sub-paragraph (5) requires that the chief executive has knowledge, skills or experience relevant to the functions of the Commission.
221. Sub-paragraph (6) enables the Commission, with the approval of Ministers, to vary the terms and conditions of the chief executive or to terminate such an appointment where satisfied that the chief executive is not adequately discharging the functions of that post.