ADULT SUPPORT AND PROTECTION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

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THE ACT – AN OVERVIEW

Part 1

Protection of Adults at Risk of Harm

Introductory

Section 1 – General principle on intervention in an adult's affairs

4. This section sets out the general principle on intervention in an adult's affairs. It applies for the purposes of section 2 of the Act only. The general principle states that a person may intervene or authorise an intervention in an adult's affairs, only where the person is satisfied that the intervention will provide benefit to the adult and that it is the least restrictive option of those that are available which will meet the objective of the intervention.