

*These notes relate to the Schools (Health Promotion and Nutrition)
(Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 15) which received Royal Assent on 19 April 2007*

SCHOOLS (HEALTH PROMOTION AND NUTRITION) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Health promotion

Section 2: Annual statement: account of health promotion

11. Section 5 of the 2000 Act places a duty on education authorities to prepare and publish an annual statement of improvement objectives. This is a detailed plan setting out objectives in respect of each of the national priorities for education which are set down in an order made under section 4 of the 2000 Act. The statement must be drawn up on an annual basis and sets out the improvement which the education authority is aiming to deliver. The statement then forms the basis for the school development plans prepared under section 6 of the 2000 Act by each school managed by the education authority.
12. **Section 2** of the Act makes amendments to section 5 of the 2000 Act to ensure that strategies for ensuring that schools are health-promoting form part of the statement of improvement objectives. Paragraph (a) amends subsection (1) of section 5 to make clear that the annual statement is to be about the duty to ensure schools are health-promoting as well as being about the duty to secure improvement in education. Paragraph (b) amends subsection (2) of section 5 to make it clear that the statement must include an account of what the education authority plans to do in order to fulfil its duty in relation to health promotion.
13. As a result of these amendments to section 5 of the 2000 Act, all school development plans prepared under section 6 of that Act will have to take account of the improvement objectives set out by education authorities in relation to health promotion.