

ADOPTION AND CHILDREN (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Chapter 6

Adoptions With a Foreign Element

Section 66 - Power to charge

239. This section applies to adoptions referred to in section 58 of the Act or to which regulations made under section 1 of the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act 1999 (regulations giving effect to Convention) apply. This will apply to any overseas adoption or any Convention adoption.
240. Subsection (2) allows the Scottish Ministers to charge a fee to adopters for services provided by Ministers in relation to adoption. Subsection (3) allows the Scottish Ministers to set the level of this fee, or waive the fee, as they see fit. However, subsection (4) provides that the income for these fees must not exceed the total cost of providing the services during any one financial year.
241. Subsection (5) defines “financial year” as the period of 12 months ending with 31st March.