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PART 6

CONSERVATION OF SEALS

Supplementary

129 Duty to review seal licensing regime

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must review and publish a report on the operation of the seal licensing regime—
 - (a) within 5 years of section 110 coming into force, and
 - (b) within each subsequent period of 5 years beginning with the publication of a report.
- (2) When carrying out a review, the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) have regard to such scientific evidence on seal biology, welfare and behaviour, and on such other matters, as they consider relevant, and
 - (b) consult the Natural Environment Research Council and such other persons as they consider appropriate.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers must have regard to their most recent report when performing functions under the seal licensing regime.
- (4) In this section, “seal licensing regime” means the provisions of this Part relating to seal licences.