

Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

PART 5

SOCIAL CARE AND SOCIAL WORK: SCRUTINY AND IMPROVEMENT

CHAPTER 3

CARE SERVICES

Improvement notices

Special provision for certain care services provided by local authorities

- (1) Where—
 - (a) SCSWIS has given an improvement notice to a local authority in respect of a care service provided by it and registered under this Chapter, and
 - (b) the authority determines that the service is one which it must provide in order to fulfil a statutory duty,

the authority must within 14 days after receiving the notice notify that determination to SCSWIS together with a statement of its reasons.

- (2) On receiving notification under subsection (1), SCSWIS must as soon as practicable send a copy of the improvement notice to the Scottish Ministers together with a copy of the notification, of the statement of reasons and of a note of any reason SCSWIS has for not agreeing with the authority's determination.
- (3) On receiving an improvement notice sent under subsection (2) the Scottish Ministers must state whether or not, in their opinion, the determination of the authority is justified.
- (4) If their statement is that the determination is justified—
 - (a) the improvement notice is to be taken as duly given under subsection (1)(b) (and not subsection (1)(a)) of section 62, and

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(b) the care service is to be taken, for the purposes of any application of the provisions of this Part which follows on from the giving of an improvement notice, to be a care service duly registered under Chapter 4 (and not Chapter 3).