

*These notes refer to the Climate Change Act 2008 (c.27)
which received Royal Assent on 26th November 2008*

CLIMATE CHANGE ACT 2008

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 5: Other provisions

Waste reduction schemes

Section 71 and Schedule 5: Waste reduction schemes

307. This section and Schedule 5 (which it introduces) allow for the making of waste reduction schemes, which are schemes to incentivise occupiers of domestic premises to produce less waste and recycle more of what they produce.
308. *Subsection (1)* provides for Schedule 5 to amend the [Environmental Protection Act 1990 \(c.43\)](#). It does so by adding to that Act a new section 60A, which provides that a waste collection authority whose area is in England may make a waste reduction scheme in accordance with a new Schedule to that Act, Schedule 2AA. It is Schedule 2AA which details what a waste reduction scheme is and how it must be made.
309. *Subsection (2)* provides that Schedule 5 may only be brought into force in accordance with sections 72 to 75, which allow the Secretary of State to designate certain areas where waste collection authorities may make waste reduction schemes on a pilot basis. Following the pilots, the power for authorities to make waste reduction schemes may be rolled out to all other areas in England, if the Secretary of State so decides.
310. *Subsection (3)* provides that for the purposes of sections 72 to 75, “the waste reduction provisions” means the provisions inserted by Schedule 5 and any subordinate legislation made under those provisions.