EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which apply in relation to England only, amend Part 4 of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills (Fees and Frequency of Inspections) (Children's Homes etc) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/694) ("the 2007 Regulations").

These Regulations amend the annual fees that are to be paid under the Care Standards Act 2000, the Education and Inspections Act 2006 and the Children Act 1989 to Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills in respect of voluntary adoption agencies, adoption support agencies, children's homes, residential family centres, boarding schools, residential colleges, residential special schools and in respect of local authority fostering functions (regulations 2 to 5).

The 2007 Regulations were amended by Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills (Fees and Frequency of Inspections) (Children's Homes etc) (Amendment) Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/2724). Providers who paid the annual fee before the 2007 Regulations were amended pay a reduced fee (regulation 6).

An Impact Assessment has been prepared for this instrument and is annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside this instrument on the OPSI website (www.opsi.gov.uk).