Health and Sport Committee

Remit and membership

Remit:

To consider and report on health policy, the NHS in Scotland, anti poverty measures, equalities, sport and other matters falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Wellbeing and Cities Strategy apart from those covered by the remit of the Economy, Energy and Tourism Committee.

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Subordinate legislation

The Committee reports to the Parliament as follows—

1. The Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland (Excepted Services) Regulations 2012 (SSI 2011/draft) and the Public Services Reform (Social Services Inspections) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012 (SSI 2011/draft) were laid before the Parliament on 13 December 2011. Both orders were subject to the affirmative procedure.

2. The purpose of the Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland (Excepted Services) Regulations 2012 (SSI 2011/draft) is to exclude certain specified activities from the definition of care services under Part 5 of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

3. The purpose of the Public Services Reform (Social Services Inspections) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012 (SSI 2011/draft) is to amend the Public Services Reform (Social Services Inspections) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 by making provision for certain types of care services to be inspected at least once in every 12 month period and for these inspections to be unannounced.

4. At its 3rd meeting 2012, held on 17 January, the Health and Sport Committee considered the two sets of regulations.

5. The Committee noted that the Subordinate Legislation Committee had not made any comments on either instrument.

6. The Committee took evidence on the instruments from the Minister for Public Health, Michael Matheson MSP.

7. The Minister for Public Health moved motion SM4-01684—

That the Health and Sport Committee recommends that the Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland (Excepted Services) Regulations 2012 [draft] be approved.

8. The motion was agreed to.
9. The Minister for Public Health also moved motion SM4-01686—

That the Health and Sport Committee recommends that the Public Services Reform (Social Services Inspections) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012 [draft] be approved.

10. The motion was agreed to.
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