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The Committee reports to the Parliament as follows—

1. The Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 (Consequential Modifications and Saving) Order 2015 [draft] was laid before the Parliament on 4 March 2015. The instrument is subject to the affirmative procedure.

2. This Order makes amendments, repeals and saving provision in consequence of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 (“the 2014 Act”).

3. The Schedule, which is given effect to by Article 2, contains amendments and repeals of primary and secondary legislation. Section 9 of the 2014 Act provides for the establishment, by order, of integration joint boards to which Health Boards and local authorities may delegate certain of their statutory functions relating to health and social care. Amendments are made in consequence of this power to establish integration joint boards. Amendments are also made in consequence of the provisions of sections 1, 9 and 15 of the 2014 Act which provide for the delegation of functions by Health Boards and local authorities.

4. The Schedule also contains amendments in consequence of the repeal of section 5A of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 by section 71(1) of the 2014 Act. The definition of “community care services” provided in section 5A is replaced by a similar definition inserted into section 12A of the same Act. Legislative references to the section 5A definition are replaced with references to section 12A. Other references in enactments to section 5A are repealed.

5. At its 9th meeting 2015, held on 17 March, the Health and Sport Committee considered the Order.

6. The Committee noted that the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee had not made any comments on the instrument.

7. The Committee took evidence on the instrument from the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Wellbeing and Sport.

8. The Cabinet Secretary moved motion S4M-12645—

That the Health and Sport Committee recommends that the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 (Consequential Modifications and Saving) Order 2015 [draft] be approved.

9. The motion was agreed to.