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Dear Stuart

**The Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2025 and the Education (Scotland) Bill**

Thank you for your letter of 29 May 2025. I would also like to thank the Committee for its ongoing and thorough consideration of both pieces of legislation.

As the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2025 was made on 6 May 2025, I am happy to confirm that an appropriate Stage 3 amendment to the Education (Scotland) Bill is now being prepared by the Scottish Government in order to insert a new paragraph with appropriate numbering into schedule 2 of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002. This will be lodged in due course by the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills.

Yours

**JAMIE HEPBURN**

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