

Scottish Parliament Social Justice and Social Security Committee

Post Legislative Scrutiny of the Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017

Written submission by the Scottish Human Rights Commission, September 2024

The Commission regrettably is unable to respond to the consultation at this time, but is pleased to share with you a [report](#) we recently prepared for the European Committee on Social Rights for their [inquiry](#) into the cost of living crisis. We hope may be of interest and relevance.

The Commission submitted this report to provide the Committee with evidence about how the 'cost of living crisis' has affected people in Scotland and what the Scottish Government - and to some extent the UK Government and local government - have done to try and help people. It covers mainly the years between 2021 and mid-2024.

Poverty and in particular, child poverty and the child poverty strategy is covered on pages 27-29.

Other sections may also be of relevance, including:

- Page 13- Childcare
- Page 14- Scottish Child Payment
- Page 15- Scottish Welfare Fund
- Page 17- Child disability Payment, Best Start Grant and Carer support payment
- Page 21- Food subsidies

The Report is available on our website: [Report on the cost of living crisis & the European Social Charter \(scottishhumanrights.com\)](https://www.scottishhumanrights.com)