

*These notes relate to the Patient Safety Commissioner for Scotland Act 2023 (asp 6) which received Royal Assent on 7 November 2023*

# **PATIENT SAFETY COMMISSIONER FOR SCOTLAND ACT 2023**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON PROVISIONS**

#### *Purpose and principles*

#### *Sections 4 and 5: Strategic planning*

13. [Sections 4](#) and [5](#) deal with strategic planning by the Commissioner. A strategic plan is a document in which, amongst other things, the Commissioner sets out what the Commissioner intends to focus on over the lifetime of the plan. The lifetime of a strategic plan is for the Commissioner to set, but it cannot exceed 4 years (section 5(2)). The preparation of a strategic plan is subject to the consultation duty in section 7.