

## Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 2016 asp 16

## PART 3

OVERSIGHT AND ENFORCEMENT

## Information notices

## 17 Clerk's power to require information

- (1) In connection with the duty under section 16, the Clerk may serve a notice (an "information notice") on a person mentioned in subsection (2), whether in or outwith Scotland, requiring the person to supply information specified in the notice.
- (2) The persons are—
  - (a) an active registrant,
  - (b) a voluntary registrant,
  - (c) a person who is not an active registrant but whom the Clerk has reasonable grounds for believing may be, or may have been, engaged in regulated lobbying.

(3) An information notice must—

- (a) specify the form in which the information must be supplied,
- (b) specify the date by which the information must be supplied, and
- (c) contain particulars of the right to appeal under section 19(1).
- (4) The date specified under subsection (3)(b) must not be before the end of the period during which an appeal under section 19(1) can be made.
- (5) Where an information notice has been served on a person, the Clerk may—
  - (a) send an additional copy of the information notice to the person by whatever means the Clerk considers appropriate,
  - (b) cancel the information notice by serving notice to that effect on the person.