



Water (Scotland) Act 1980

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PART I

CENTRAL AUTHORITY

1 Duty of Secretary of State

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State—

- (a) to promote the conservation of the water resources of Scotland and the provision by water authorities and water development boards of adequate water supplies throughout Scotland; and
- (b) to secure the collection, preparation, publication and dissemination of information and statistics relating to such water resources and water supplies ; and
- (c) to appoint an advisory committee to advise him on those matters.

2 Power to require surveys and formulation of proposals

(1) The Secretary of State may require any water authority or water development board to—

- (a) carry out a survey of the existing consumption of and demand for water supplies in their area and of the water resources in or available for that area;
- (b) prepare an estimate of the future water supply requirements of that area;
- (c) formulate proposals for meeting the existing or future water supply requirements of that area, including proposals for the joint use with any other water authority or water development board of any existing or proposed new source of water supply;
- (d) submit a report on any of those matters to the Secretary of State within such time as he may specify.

(2) For the purposes of this section " area ", in relation to a water authority, means their limits of supply within the meaning of section 3(3).