

EXECUTIVE NOTE

THE REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES (FEES) (SCOTLAND) ORDER 2010 (SSI 2010/428)

1. The above instrument was made in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 5(1) and (2) of, and paragraph 1(b) of Schedule 3 to, the Public Expenditure and Receipts Act 1968. The instrument is subject to negative resolution procedure.

Policy Objectives

2. Fees payable for a certificate of birth, death, marriage or civil partnership issued for the purposes of certain Acts are set by the Scottish Ministers by Order made under the Public Expenditure and Receipts Act 1968. This Order amends fees payable for such certificates under the following enactments –

Savings Bank Act 1887
Factories Act 1961
Education (Scotland) Act 1980
The Social Security Administration Act 1992

3. The level of fees is reviewed annually to ensure that the cost of providing chargeable services is fully recovered and to take account when fixing charges of any likely future increases in costs.

4. The purpose of the instrument is to increase the fee for the issue of certificates and extracts under these statutory provisions from £9.00 to £10.00.

Consultation

5. GROS consulted the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (CoSLA) and the Association of Registrars of Scotland (AROS) on the level of fees.

Financial Effects

6. The costs associated will be borne by those to whom such certificates are provided.

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