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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Disability Discrimination (Public Authorities)(Statutory Duties) Regulations 2005 (S.I.2005/2966). Those Regulations impose duties on the public authorities listed in Schedule 1 to prepare and publish a Disability Equality Scheme, to revise it at intervals, to implement certain components of the Scheme, and to publish an annual report of progress.

The main purpose of the present Regulations is to add to the list of public authorities to which the duties imposed by the 2005 Regulations apply. The additional public authorities named in new Part V of Schedule 1 to the 2005 Regulations are required to publish a Disability Equality Scheme on or before 3rd December 2007.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been prepared for this instrument as the costs it imposes on the public, private, charity and voluntary sectors are negligible.