EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order adds the Scottish Biometrics Commissioner to the list of Scottish public authorities in Part 3 of schedule 19 of the Equality Act 2010 ("the Act"). The public authorities listed in that Part are subject to the public sector equality duty in section 149 of the Act.

The public sector equality duty is to have regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited under the Act, to advance equality of opportunity and to foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.