

ENERGY ACT 2013

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 4: Government Pipe-Line and Storage System

Section 124: Compensation

520. *Subsection (1)* provides that the Secretary of State must pay compensation to a person who proves that the value of a relevant interest in land to which that person is entitled is depreciated by the creation of rights by *sections 120* (rights in relation to the government pipe-line and storage system), *121* (right of entry) and *125* (right to transfer the government pipe-line and storage system).
521. *Subsection (2)* defines “relevant interest”.
522. *Subsection (3)* provides that the amount of compensation is equal to the amount of the depreciation.
523. *Subsection (4)* provides that if a person proves loss by reason of damage to, or disturbance in the enjoyment of, any land or certain property as a result of the exercise of any right conferred by *section 120* (rights in relation to the government pipe-line and storage system) or *121* (right of entry), the person on whose behalf the right was exercised must pay compensation in respect of that loss.
524. *Subsection (5)* provides that any dispute about entitlement to, or amount of, compensation is to be determined by the Upper Tribunal or, in Scotland, the Lands Tribunal for Scotland.