

# ENERGY ACT 2013

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### **Part 5: Strategy and Policy Statement**

##### *Section 131: Designation of statement*

541. *Subsection (1)* gives the Secretary of State a power to designate a strategy and policy statement. *Subsection (2)* provides that a strategy and policy statement will comprise the following parts:
- “strategic priorities” which are the strategic priorities, and other main considerations, of Her Majesty’s government in formulating its energy policy for Great Britain (including offshore areas as described in *subsection (4)*);
  - “policy outcomes” which are particular outcomes to be achieved as a result of the implementation of that policy; and
  - the roles and responsibilities of persons involved in implementing that policy or who have other functions that are affected by it. This could include, amongst others, the Secretary of State and the Authority.
542. The Secretary of State must publish any strategy and policy statement (either as originally designated or as amended) in such a manner as he or she considers appropriate (*subsection (3)*).
543. *Subsection (5)* provides definitions of terms used in Part 5.