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Report on the Carbon Accounting Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft]



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The Carbon Accounting Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft]

1. The Committee reports to the Parliament as follows—
2. The Carbon Accounting Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft] were laid before the Parliament on 21 February 2017 and referred to the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee.

Purpose of the instrument

3. The purpose of the Regulations and its associated documents are set out in the Committee's cover note ([ECCLR/S5/17/10/1](#)) for its meeting on 21 March 2017.

Committee consideration

4. The Carbon Accounting Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft] are subject to affirmative procedure (Rule 10.6). It is for the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee to recommend to Parliament whether the Regulations should be approved.
5. At its meeting on the 21 March 2017, the Committee took evidence on the instrument from—
 - Roseanna Cunningham, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform;
 - John Ireland, Deputy Director of Decarbonisation; and
 - Tom Russon, Policy Advisor, Decarbonisation Division, Scottish Government.
6. The Committee questioned the Cabinet Secretary on a number of areas in relation to the workings of the Regulations. The full transcript of the evidence session can be found in the [Official Report for the meeting](#).
7. Following the evidence session, Roseanna Cunningham moved motion [S5M-0448](#)
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That the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee recommends that the Carbon Accounting Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft] be approved.

8. The motion was agreed to.

9. The Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee recommends to Parliament that the Carbon Accounting Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft] be approved.

