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Introduction

- 1. At its meeting on 12 June 2020, the Committee took evidence from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance on
 - The Budget (Scotland) Act 2020 Amendment Regulations 2020
- 2. The Regulations were laid on 27 May 2020 and amend the Budget Scotland Act 2020, which authorised the Scottish Government's spending plans for the current financial year, to take account of the COVID-19 related budget measures announced by Scottish Ministers. The Summer Budget Revision (SBR) document provides supporting information on the revised spending plans for which the Scottish Government sought Parliamentary approval.
- 3. At that same session, the Committee also took evidence on its ongoing inquiry into the impact of COVID-19 on the public finances and the Fiscal Framework.
- 4. Briefings on the Regulations and SBR were prepared by the Financial Scrutiny Unit in SPICe and the Scottish Government.
- 5. Following evidence, the Cabinet Secretary moved motion S5M-21863—That the Finance and Constitution Committee recommends that the Budget (Scotland) Act 2020 Amendment Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.
- 6. The Finance and Constitution Committee agreed motion S5M-21863. The Committee also agreed to write to the Cabinet Secretary and to the Chief Secretary to the Treasury highlighting some of the issues considered during its inquiry into the impact of COVID-19 on the public finances and the Fiscal Framework.

