

Social Justice and Social Security Committee
Thursday 27 June 2024
21st Meeting, 2024 (Session 6)

Housing (Scotland) Bill

Note by the Clerk

Financial Memorandum

1. During last week's Committee meeting on 20 June, Members expressed an interest in receiving more information about Financial Memorandums.
2. The Clerks have since been in touch with the Legislation team, who have sent the following definition, based on the Parliament's Standing Orders Rule 9.3.2:

“2.A Bill must on introduction be accompanied by a Financial Memorandum which sets out best estimates of the costs, savings, and changes to revenues to which the provisions of the Bill would give rise, and an indication of the margins of uncertainty in such estimates. The Financial Memorandum must also include best estimates of the timescales over which such costs, savings, and changes to revenues would be expected to arise. The Financial Memorandum must distinguish separately such costs, savings, and changes to revenues that would fall upon—

- (a) the Scottish Administration;
- (b) local authorities; and
- (c) other bodies, individuals and businesses.”

Call for views

3. More than 300 people and organisations responded to the Social Justice and Social Security Committee and Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee's call for views.
4. SPICe have prepared an analysis of the call for views, which is available here: [Housing \(Scotland\) Bill: analysis of the call for views.](#)

SPICe Briefings

5. The SPICe briefing for the [Housing \(Scotland\) Bill](#) is available here: [The Housing \(Scotland\) Bill](#).

Clerks to the Committee
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