

11. Minister may give directions

- (1) This section applies to the Board, the Council, colleges, and an institution established under Part 6.
- (2) Subject to subsection (4), the Minister may give directions to a body to which this section applies with respect to the performance by that body of its functions under this Act either generally or in relation to a particular matter, and the body is to give effect to those directions.
- (3) A direction may be given under subsection (2) requiring a body to have regard to a particular policy or principle.
- (4) The Minister may not give directions to —
 - (a) the Board, with respect to the performance of its functions under Division 2 of Part 4; or
 - (b) the Council, with respect to the performance of its functions under section 27(1).
- (5) The text of any direction given to —
 - (a) the Board or the Council is to be included in the annual report presented to the Minister under section 24 or 30; or
 - (b) a college or other institution is to be included in the annual report submitted by the accountable authority of the college or other institution under section 66 of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985*.