*These notes relate to the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (asp 13) which received Royal Assent on 28 May 2002* 

# **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION**

# (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION

### **Part 2** – Exempt information

#### Section 33 – Commercial interests and the economy

100. This section protects against the disclosure of commercially sensitive information, including trade secrets. It also protects against the disclosure of information which could be damaging to the economic interests of the United Kingdom. The public interest test in section 2 applies.