These notes relate to the Community Care and Health (Scotland) Act 2002 (asp 5) which received Royal Assent on 12 March 2002

## COMMUNITY CARE AND HEALTH (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

Part 3 – Health

## **Miscellaneous**

Section 20 - Amendment of Road Traffic Act 1988 and Road Traffic (NHS Charges) Act 1999: payment for treatment of traffic casualties

- 108. This amendment is consequential on a change in UK legislation that broadened the definition of "road" for statutory motor insurance purposes. It amends sections 157(1) (a) and 158(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Act 1988 and section 1(1)(a) of the Road Traffic (NHS Charges) Act 1999 to the same effect to cover accidents that happen in public places as well as on the open road.
- 109. The Road Traffic (NHS Charges) Regulations 1999 (S.I. 1999/785), which came into effect on 5 April 1999, provide a scheme that enables the NHS to recover the costs incurred as a result of the treatment of road traffic casualties. The charges, recoverable from insurers and certain other persons, are payable only following an agreed compensation settlement.