

*These notes relate to the Homelessness etc. (Scotland) Act
2003 (asp 10) which received Royal Assent on 9 April 2003*

HOMELESSNESS ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

HOMELESSNESS: PRIORITY NEED FOR ACCOMMODATION

Section 2: Abolition of priority need test

5. This section sets out the process to be followed to provide for the eventual abolition of the priority need test. *Subsections (1) and (2)* allow the Scottish Ministers to abolish the test as soon as they are satisfied that local authorities will be able to carry out their duties in relation to homeless people without distinguishing between applicants on the basis of priority need. *Subsections (3), (4) and (5)* define the necessary powers and set out the procedures to be followed in the process of abolition.