

*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

HOMELESS PERSONS: ACCOMMODATION

Section 9: Suitability of accommodation for homeless persons

17. *Subsection (1)* amends section 29 of the 1987 Act to require local authorities to provide interim accommodation to a household whom they have assessed as homeless until such a point as they have discharged their duty to secure accommodation under section 31 of that Act. It also gives Ministers the powers to specify, by statutory instrument, accommodation which cannot be provided as such interim accommodation, but allows for this to be subject to conditions or exceptions. *Subsection (2)* amends section 32(8) of the 1987 Act in order to make clear that accommodation provided, in pursuance of section 31 or 32 of that Act, for a person in priority need who has dependent children must be suitable for occupation by such children.