

*These notes relate to the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004 (asp 3) which received Royal Assent on 14 April 2004*

# **VULNERABLE WITNESSES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2004**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 1 – Criminal Proceedings**

#### ***Section 1 – Evidence of children and other vulnerable witnesses: special measures***

#### **Section 271G – Saving provision**

31. This section ensures that the existing common law powers to make or authorise special arrangements for vulnerable witnesses' evidence are not removed by the new sections 271A to 271F.