

*These notes relate to the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act
2011 (asp 1) which received Royal Assent on 6 January 2011*

CHILDREN'S HEARINGS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2011

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2 – the Principal Reporter and the Scottish Children's Reporter Administration (Scra)

Functions of SCRA

Section 22 – Independence of Principal Reporter

24. This section protects the independence of the Principal Reporter by ensuring that neither SCRA nor any other person may direct or guide the Principal Reporter in the conduct of their statutory functions. Subsection (2) makes clear that this prohibition is subject to the power of the Scottish Ministers under section 18(1)(e) to specify by secondary legislation the manner or timing in which any function of the Principal Reporter is to be carried out.