## HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT (AMENDMENT) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2011

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## THE ACT - SECTION BY SECTION

Part 2 – Modifications of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979

Section 12 – Development and understanding of matters of historic, etc. interest: grants and loans

66. Section 12 inserts a new section 45A into the 1979 Act to provide a new power of financial assistance to the Scottish Ministers. Subsection (1) states that Scottish Ministers may make grants or loans in connection with or with a view to the promotion of the development or understanding of matters of historic, architectural, traditional, artistic or archaeological interest. Subsection (2) of the new section 45A sets out that such grants or loans may be subject to such conditions as the Scottish Ministers think appropriate. Subsection (3) provides that, without prejudice to any powers of the Scottish Ministers under any enactment (including this Act), the total amount of grants and loans which may be made under this section must not exceed £100,000 in any one year period.