# TRIBUNALS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

### **Part 8 – Final Provisions**

## **Consequential modifications**

- 244. Paragraph 11 of schedule 9 amends the Judicial Pensions and Retirement Act 1993 so that the ordinary and legal members of the Scottish Tribunals are added to the list of offices set out in Schedule 5 to that Act. By virtue of the operation of section 26 of that Act, those members of the Scottish Tribunals are required to retire from office on reaching the age of 70. Subsections (4) to (6) of that provision, however, enable those members to continue in office on an annual rolling basis up until the age of 75 if the Scottish Ministers, after consultation with the President of Tribunals, consider it is desirable in the public interest to allow those persons to continue in office.
- 245. Paragraph 12 amends the Judiciary and Courts (Scotland) Act 2008 to bring the ordinary and legal members of the Scottish Tribunals within the remit of JABS and to exclude them from holding office as the Judicial Complaints Reviewer.
- 246. Sub-paragraph (2) amends section 10 of that Act so that any persons appointed to the positions of Vice-President or ordinary or other legal member of the Upper Tribunal, or Chamber President, Deputy Chamber President or ordinary or other legal member of the First-tier Tribunal fall within the remit of JABS. By virtue of section 11 of the 2008 Act, an individual cannot be appointed to one of these positions unless recommended for appointment by JABS.
- 247. Sub-paragraph (3) amends section 30 of the 2008 Act so that the ordinary and legal members of the Scottish Tribunals are disqualified from being appointed as the Judicial Complaints Reviewer.
- 248. Sub-paragraph (4) amends the composition of JABS so as to include representation from the Scottish Tribunals and sub-paragraph (5) sets out the proceedings that are to apply in respect of an appointment to the Scottish Tribunals.
- 249. Paragraph 13 amends the Scottish Civil Justice Council and Criminal Legal Assistance Act 2013. These amendments are explained in the commentary on Tribunal Rules (section 62).