REVENUE SCOTLAND AND TAX POWERS ACT 2014

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 6 – Tax Returns, Enquiries and Assessments

Chapter 7 — Relief in Case of Excessive Assessment Or Overpaid Tax

Defence of unjustified enrichment

Section 110 – Unjustified enrichment: further provision

151. This section explains circumstances in which a repayment would constitute unjustified enrichment where the payment of tax was made by someone other than the taxpayer. Loss or damage related to mistaken assumptions about tax made by a taxpayer should be excluded from consideration of whether a taxpayer would be unjustly enriched. The taxpayer may show that a certain amount would be appropriate compensation for the loss or damage resulting from the mistaken assumption and this may be taken into account.