

*These notes relate to the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014  
(asp 18) which received Royal Assent on 10 November 2014*

# COURTS REFORM (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### THE ACT

#### **Part 1 - Sheriff Courts**

#### *Chapter 2 - Judiciary of the sheriffdoms*

#### **Remuneration and expenses**

#### *Section 17 – Expenses*

41. There are a variety of provisions in the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 that make provision for the payment of expenses and allowances to holders of judicial offices in the sheriff court and which are distinct from remuneration provisions. These are section 10(4) (sheriff directed to perform duties in a sheriffdom other than that which he was appointed), section 11(8) (temporary sheriffs principal), section 11A(8) (part-time sheriffs), section 14A(6) (re-employment of retired sheriffs) and section 19 (travelling expenses for sheriffs principal). Section 17 consolidates these provisions and provides that the judicial officers listed in subsection (3) may be paid expenses by the SCTS if they were reasonably incurred in the performance of the officer's duties. There is now no provision for the payment of "allowances".