

*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

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 5 – Civil Appeals

Appeals to the Sheriff Appeal Court

Section 109 – Abolition of appeal from a sheriff to the sheriff principal

199. Whilst the office of sheriff principal will continue, section 109(1) abolishes the right of appeal from the sheriff to the sheriff principal in civil proceedings, in consequence of the new right of appeal to the Sheriff Appeal Court in section 110. This only applies to appeals from the sheriff to the sheriff principal and does not affect any statutory appeals or applications to the sheriff principal from tribunals or other bodies. Subsections (2) and (3) provide that any specific provisions in other enactments which provide for an appeal from a sheriff to the sheriff principal will now be to the Sheriff Appeal Court.