

*These notes relate to the Burial and Cremation (Scotland) Act 2016 (asp 20) which received Royal Assent on 28 April 2016*

# **BURIAL AND CREMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2016**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 3 – Arrangements**

#### **Pregnancy losses: general**

##### ***Section 85 – Duty to keep a register***

231. Each Health Board and independent health care service is required to keep and maintain a register relating to the disposal of pregnancy losses, which must be kept indefinitely. The register will contain information that has been prescribed in regulations made by the Scottish Ministers. The regulations may also set out the form and manner in which the register is to be maintained.

##### ***Section 86 – Register under section 85: offence***

232. A health authority commits an offence if it fails to prepare and maintain, without reasonable excuse, a register as required by section 85. On summary conviction, the penalty is a fine up to level 3 on the standard scale if convicted of the offence.