

*These notes refer to the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46)  
which received Royal Assent on 19th November 1998*

# SCOTLAND ACT 1998

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### SUMMARY

The Act gives effect to the Government's proposals for devolution to Scotland as set out in the white paper, *Scotland's Parliament* (Cm 3658, July 1997). It is divided into six parts:

Part I	The Scottish Parliament;
Part II	The Scottish Administration;
Part III	Financial Provisions;
Part IV	The Tax Varying Power;
Part V	Miscellaneous and General;
Part VI	Supplementary.

The Act also contains nine schedules. Of these, Schedule 4 lists enactments protected from modification by the Scottish Parliament. Schedule 5 lists matters reserved to the UK Parliament.