

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

SCOTLAND ACT 1998

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 8, Paragraph 25: Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988

General

Her Majesty is entitled to copyright in every Act of the Scottish Parliament and copyright in every Bill introduced into the Scottish Parliament belongs to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body.

The provisions of section 45 of the 1988 Act which provides that copyright is not infringed by anything done for the purposes of parliamentary proceedings apply to the Scottish Parliament.

In regard to Scottish parliamentary copyright, which for Westminster is dealt with in section 165 of the 1988 Act which applies to work made by or under the direction or control of the House of Commons or the House of Lords, provision was made under section 165(7) of the 1988 Act which permits an Order in Council to apply that section, with exceptions or modifications, to works of any other legislative body of a country to which the Act extends. This was done in making the Parliamentary Copyright (Scottish Parliament) Order 1999 ([S.I. 1999/676](#)).