



# Scotland Act 2016

## 2016 CHAPTER 11

### PART 1

#### CONSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

##### *The Scottish Parliament and the Scottish Government*

#### **1 Permanence of the Scottish Parliament and Scottish Government**

In the Scotland Act 1998 after Part 2 (the Scottish Administration) insert—

#### **“PART 2A**

#### PERMANENCE OF THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT AND SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT

#### **63A Permanence of the Scottish Parliament and Scottish Government**

- (1) The Scottish Parliament and the Scottish Government are a permanent part of the United Kingdom’s constitutional arrangements.
- (2) The purpose of this section is, with due regard to the other provisions of this Act, to signify the commitment of the Parliament and Government of the United Kingdom to the Scottish Parliament and the Scottish Government.
- (3) In view of that commitment it is declared that the Scottish Parliament and the Scottish Government are not to be abolished except on the basis of a decision of the people of Scotland voting in a referendum.”