

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN SCOTLAND ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION

Part 8 – Miscellaneous

Section 44 – Travel concessions

111. This section equalises for both men and women the age of eligibility for concessionary travel at age 60. This ensures that men and women aged 60 and over will be entitled to the same concession travel arrangements within their local transport area. This section amends section 93(7) of the [Transport Act 1985 \(c.67\)](#) to remove the differential in eligibility for concessionary travel between men and woman. Similarly, it amends the definition of “eligible persons” under section 68(7) of the [Transport \(Scotland\) Act 2001 \(asp 2\)](#) and gives the Scottish Ministers power to make an order providing for the age of eligibility for concessionary travel to rise in due course in line with Schedule 4 to the [Pensions Act 1995 \(c.26\)](#).