

*These notes relate to the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005
(asp15) (asp 15) which received Royal Assent on 14 December 2005*

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 (ASP15)

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION

Part 5 – General Provisions

Sections 25 and 26 – Interpretation, Commencement and short title

47. **Section 25** makes provision for interpretation of the terms “The Directive” and “the public”. It also provides that terms used in the Act which are also used in the Directive will have the meaning in the Act that they have in the Directive unless the context otherwise requires.
48. **Section 26** provides that, except for sections 21, 22, 23, 25 and 26, the provisions of the Act come into force on a date or dates set by the Scottish Ministers by order. Sections 21, 22, 23, 25 and 26 will come into force on Royal Assent.