These notes relate to the Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 17) which received Royal Assent on 19 April 2007

CUSTODIAL SENTENCES AND WEAPONS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON PARTS

Schedule 1(introduced by section 1(5))

The Parole Board for Scotland

Tenure of appointments

- 10. Paragraphs 4 and 5 provide that members must be appointed for a period of between 6 and 7 years, though a member will cease to be such as soon as he or she has reached the age of 75.
- 11. Paragraph 6 provides that if the member who is a High Court Judge ceases to hold that office, he or she also ceases to be a member of the Board. Similarly, paragraph 7 provides that if the member appointed as a psychiatrist ceases to be a registered medical practitioner or ceases to be a psychiatrist (even if the person is still registered as a medical practitioner), he or she ceases to be a member of the Board.
- 12. Paragraph 8 provides that a member may resign at any time by giving the Scottish Ministers written notice. Members may also be removed from office under paragraph 14 of this schedule (as explained below), and in that case paragraph 9 provides that the person ceases to be a member on the day on which an order is made under paragraph 14.
- 13. Paragraphs 10 to 12 deal with reappointment. They provide that a member may be reappointed to the Board so long as he or she has not been a member for the previous 3 years and has not previously been reappointed. Members who have previously resigned from the Board can be reappointed, but a person who has been removed from office by virtue of an order under paragraph 14 (as explained below) may not be reappointed.