

*These notes relate to the Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland)
Act 2007 (asp 6) which received Royal Assent on 22 February 2007*

CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS ETC. (REFORM) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

Part 3 – Penalties

Enforcement of fines etc.

Section 56: Recognition of EU financial penalties

345. **Section 56** entitles Scottish Ministers to make provision, by means of an order subject to the affirmative procedure, implementing any obligation created by or arising under the council Framework decision on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to financial penalties in so far as they have effect in or as regards Scotland. The purpose of the Decision (2005/214/JHA of 24 February 2005) is to allow financial penalties imposed in criminal proceedings to be transferred to other member states for enforcement – improving enforceability of fines across the EU.