These notes relate to the Scottish Parliamentary Pensions Act 2009 (asp 1) which received Royal Assent on 25 February 2009

# SCOTTISH PARLIAMENTARY

## PENSIONS ACT 2009

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### Part I Ill-Health

#### Rule 51: Amount of ordinary ill-health pension

217. Rule 51 provides for the amount of ordinary ill-health pension payable. The individual applying for an ordinary ill-health pension is treated as if they were age 65 on the date they resigned or otherwise stopped being an MSP or, where they were not an MSP, the holder of a pensionable office. The amount of pension is then calculated under rule 37 (see paragraphs 141-143) and is based on the actual accrued reckonable service. In effect, the amount of pension payable is not reduced although the individual has not reached age 65.