# INTERPRETATION AND LEGISLATIVE REFORM (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## THE ACT - BACKGROUND

**Part 1: Interpretation** 

Sections 15 to 17 - Effect of repeals

#### **Section 15**

- 36. This section makes provision as to some of the consequences where an ASP or Scottish instrument repeals an ASP or revokes a Scottish instrument and reflects in part paragraph 13(1)(e) of Schedule 1 to the Interpretation Order. It provides that any repeal does not affect anything done previously under the repealed legislation, and also that it does not revive any previously repealed or revoked enactments or rule of law.
- 37. The section does not deal with the case where an Act of Parliament is repealed (or an instrument made under an Act of Parliament is revoked) by an ASP or Scottish instrument because this is dealt with by section 23A of the 1978 Act. As mentioned in relation to section 1, the interpretation of an Act of Parliament and an instrument made under it, including the effect of its repeal, is a matter for the 1978 Act. It is open to the repealing ASP to make further or different provision.

#### **Section 16**

38. This section makes provision as to the effect of repeal on existing rights, including enforcement of an existing right, where an ASP or Scottish instrument repeals another ASP or revokes a Scottish instrument. The section is intended to reflect part of paragraph 13(1)(e) of Schedule 1 to the Interpretation Order.

### **Section 17**

39. This section makes provision as to the effect on offences already committed and breaches of statutory provisions where an ASP or Scottish instrument repeals another ASP or instrument. The provision is intended to reflect part of paragraph 13(1)(d) of Schedule 1 to the Interpretation Order.