

*These notes relate to the Housing (Scotland) Act 2010  
(asp 17) which received Royal Assent on 9 December 2010*

# HOUSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### STRUCTURE OF THE ACT

#### **Part 16 – Miscellaneous**

##### **Local authority duties on homelessness: armed forces**

187. [Section 156](#) amends section 27 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987, which specifically prohibits a person or household forming a local connection with an area due to employment or residence in it as a result of service in the armed forces. In contrast civilian residence or employment forms such a connection. The duties of a local authority to a homeless person are affected by whether the person has a local connection with that authority. This amendment will allow people serving in the regular armed forces of the Crown, and those who live with them, to form a local connection with the area they have lived or worked in.