

*These notes relate to the Scottish Independence Referendum Act 2013 (asp 14) which received Royal Assent on 17 December 2013*

# SCOTTISH INDEPENDENCE REFERENDUM ACT 2013

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY

#### *Electoral Commission: administrative provision*

289. [Section 28](#) deals with the Electoral Commission's costs in respect of their functions under the Act, which will be refunded by the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body (SPCB).
290. [Section 29](#) requires the Commission to estimate their costs and income before the start of each financial year and send this to the SPCB for approval. A revised estimate may be sent during the year.
291. [Section 30](#) confirms that an investigation by the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman into the Electoral Commission's functions under the Act is not prevented under the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002.