

# **WATER RESOURCES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2013**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION**

#### **Part 2 – Control of Water Abstraction**

##### ***Section 12 – Conditions of approval***

24. This section enables the Scottish Ministers to attach conditions to their approval of an abstraction and to set a period for which their approval has effect. They may also extend the period for which it has effect or vary the conditions attached to the approval after consulting the holder. Conditions may, in particular, impose an upper limit on the rate at which water may be abstracted, and restrict the purposes for which the abstracted water may be used. The section also provides that the holder of an approval cannot transfer it to another person without the Scottish Ministers' prior consent.