

These notes relate to the Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2014 (asp 1) which received Royal Assent on 17 January 2014

VICTIMS AND WITNESSES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Release of offender: victim's rights

Section 29 – Temporary release: victim's right to make representations

81. This section adds a new section 17A to the 2003 Act to allow victims, who are registered on the Victim Notification Scheme (VNS) and who have expressed the wish to do so, to make written representations about the licence conditions that may be imposed when a prisoner first becomes eligible for temporary release from prison.