

*These notes relate to the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014  
(asp 18) which received Royal Assent on 10 November 2014*

# **COURTS REFORM (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **THE ACT**

#### **Part 1 - Sheriff Courts**

#### *Chapter 4 - Competence and jurisdiction*

#### **Summary sheriffs: civil and criminal competence and jurisdiction**

#### *Section 44 – Summary sheriff: civil competence and jurisdiction*

76. [Section 44](#) provides that a summary sheriff may exercise all of the jurisdiction and powers of the sheriff in relation to civil proceedings, but only with regard to the proceedings and matters listed in schedule 1 (subsection (1)). Subsection (2) provides that a sheriff still has jurisdiction and competence over the matters in schedule 1. Subsection (3) permits the Scottish Ministers by order (subject to the affirmative procedure) to amend schedule 1.