These notes relate to the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 (asp 6) which received Royal Assent on 24 July 2015

## COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2015

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Part 4: Community rights to buy land

## Modifications of Part 2 of Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 : the community right to buy

Ballot not conducted as prescribed

- 119. Section 52 of the Act amends section 52 of the 2003 Act. Section 52(1) of the 2003 Act provides that a ballot should be conducted as prescribed in regulations. Furthermore, in terms of section 52(2), if a ballot is deemed to be flawed, the community's right to buy is extinguished. As noted, section 52(2) is repealed (see schedule 5 to the Act).
- 120. Section 52 of the Act provides that section 52 of the 2003 Act is amended to include a new subsection (7). The new subsection (7) provides Ministers with the powers to make regulations in connection with reviewing whether a ballot has been properly conducted and other matters relating to ballots not conducted as prescribed.