

*These notes relate to the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016  
(asp 1) which received Royal Assent on 13 January 2016*

# **CRIMINAL JUSTICE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2016**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **OVERVIEW OF THE ACT**

#### **Part 1 – Arrest and Custody**

#### *Chapter 6 – Police powers and duties*

#### **Duties of police**

#### *Section 50 – Duty not to detain unnecessarily*

149. **Section 50** provides that a constable must ensure that a person is not unreasonably or unnecessarily held in police custody.