

*These notes relate to the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016
(asp 18) which received Royal Assent on 22 April 2016*

LAND REFORM (SCOTLAND) ACT 2016

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 5 – Right to Buy Land to Further Sustainable Development

Key terms

Section 51 – Interpretation of Part

223. [Section 51](#) sets out some matters of interpretation for Part 5 of the Act and subsection (1) and (2) clarify terms “Lands Tribunal” and “a creditor in a standard security with a right to sell land”.
224. Subsections (3) and (4) provide that public or local holidays should not be taken into account when calculating time periods in Part 5, except for the six-month period of completion for the right to buy referred to in section 64(2), the 28-day period for lodging an appeal to the sheriff (section 69(7)) and the 21-day period for lodging an appeal to the Lands Tribunal on the valuation of land or a section 66 determination (section 70(3)).