

These notes relate to the Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Act 2016 (asp 2) which received Royal Assent on 14 January 2016

INQUIRIES INTO FATAL ACCIDENTS AND SUDDEN DEATHS ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2016

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Inquiries into multiple deaths

Section 14 – Inquiry into more than one death

49. **Section 14** permits a single FAI to be held into multiple deaths if they are as a result of the same accident or occur in the same or similar circumstances. The 1976 Act only allows FAIs into multiple deaths that occur in the same sheriffdom. This provision, along with section 13, means that one FAI may take place into multiple deaths regardless of the place where the deaths took place.