

*These notes relate to the Consumer Scotland Act 2020  
(asp 11) which received Royal Assent on 9 June 2020*

# CONSUMER SCOTLAND ACT 2020

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### THE ACT

#### *Overview*

#### **Part 1**

#### **Consumer Scotland**

Review of performance and modification of functions

#### *Section 20 – Power to modify Consumer Scotland’s functions*

48. Section 20 empowers the Scottish Ministers, following consultation with Consumer Scotland (and, where appropriate, others) and subject to parliamentary process, to confer new functions on Consumer Scotland or to modify or remove existing ones. This power will enable Consumer Scotland’s remit to be adjusted in future without the need for further primary legislation, but subject to parliamentary oversight and agreement.
49. However, Ministers may not use this regulation-making power to remove (either by variation or by outright removal) Consumer Scotland’s core functions as set out under section 2.