

These notes relate to the Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Act 2020 (asp 17)

EXPLANATORY NOTES

AGRICULTURE (RETAINED EU LAW AND DATA) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2020

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