

*These notes relate to the Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland)
Act 2021 (asp 16) which received Royal Assent on 5 May 2021*

DOMESTIC ABUSE (PROTECTION) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2021

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 1 – Domestic abuse protection notices and orders

Reporting

Section 20 – Reporting on operation of Part

133. Section 20 places a duty on the Scottish Ministers to report on the operation of Part 1 of the Act. The report must cover a 3 year period beginning with the date on which Part 1 comes into force and must be laid before Parliament as soon as practicable after the reporting period.
134. Section 20(1) provides that the report must include information about the number of DAPNs, DAPOs and interim DAPOs that are made, the number of extensions of DAPOs that are granted, the number of cases and convictions in respect of the offences at sections 7(1) and 17(1) relating to breach of a DAPN or DAPO and information about the experiences of people for whose protection a DAPN or DAPO was made.
135. Section 20(2) provides that the report may also include any other information that the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate about the operation of Part 1 and the experience of any other people affected by its operation during the reporting period.