

WATER RESOURCES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2013

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION

Part 8 – General Provisions

Section 52 – Crown application

90. This section exempts the Crown from criminal liability under Parts 2 (control of water abstraction) and 7 (water shortage orders) of the Act. Schedule 3 makes further provision about application to the Crown of Parts 2 and 7.

Section 53 – Repeal of enactments

91. This section introduces schedule 4 which makes minor and consequential repeals.

Section 54 – Ancillary power

92. This section enables the Scottish Ministers to, by regulations, make supplemental, incidental, consequential, transitional, transitory or saving provision as they consider necessary or expedient for the purposes of or in connection with the Act.

Section 55 – Key definitions

93. This section defines various expressions used throughout the Act, and sections 56 and 57 make provision in relation to commencement and the short title.

Section 56 – Commencement

94. This section makes provision as to the commencement of the Act. Section 52 (which also introduces schedule 3) and sections 54 to 57 come into force on the day after Royal Assent. All other provisions are to come into force on such day as the Scottish Ministers may, by order, appoint. Any such order may include transitional, transitory or saving provision.