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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order makes provision principally in consequence of the coming into force of certain provisions of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (“the Act”) on 1st April 2016 (articles 2 and 5 and the Schedule). This Order comes into force on the same date.

Article 2 transfers responsibility for the payment of remuneration etc. in connection with the Lands Tribunal for Scotland to the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service, in consequence of the transfer of responsibility for equivalent payments in connection with courts by virtue of sections 16(12) and (13), 124 and 126 of the Act.

Articles 3 and 4 make amendments which are consequential on provisions of the Act commenced on 1st April 2015, namely paragraph 31 of Part 7 of schedule 5 to the Act (amending the Scottish Civil Justice Council and Criminal Legal Assistance Act 2013) and section 21 of the Act (replacing section 12A of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971).

Article 5 introduces the Schedule to the Order which amends primary legislation in consequence of the abolition of the office of stipendiary magistrate and the introduction of the office of summary sheriff.