

*These notes refer to the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46)  
which received Royal Assent on 19th November 1998*

## **SCOTLAND ACT 1998**

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY**

SECTION 24: Witnesses and documents: notice

#### **Purpose and Effect**

This section sets out how any requirement by the Parliament under section 23 to call for witnesses or documents is to be effected.

#### **Parliamentary Consideration**

<i>Stage</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Column</i>
CR	12-May-98	197
LC	21-Jul-98	778

#### **Details of Provisions**

Subsection (1) requires the Clerk of the Parliament to give written notice:

- (a) to witnesses notifying them of the time and place at which they are required by the Parliament to attend, and the subjects concerning which they will be required to give evidence; or
- (b) to document holders notifying them of the documents which they need to produce, the date by which they should be available and the subjects to which the documents should relate.

Subsection (2) sets out requirements in relation to service of notices. A notice is to be sent by registered post or recorded delivery. In the case of an individual, it is to be sent to his usual or last known address or to an address for service, where he has given one. In any other case (e.g. a health board or another public body), the notice is to be sent to the person's registered or principal office.