



# Scotland Act 2012

## 2012 CHAPTER 11

### PART 2

#### MINISTERS AND THEIR POWERS

##### *The Scottish Ministers*

## **12 The Scottish Government**

- (1) The Scottish Executive is renamed the Scottish Government.
- (2) Accordingly, in the 1998 Act—
  - (a) for “Scottish Executive” in each place substitute “Scottish Government”;
  - (b) in the heading to section 81 and the italic cross-heading preceding it, for “Executive” substitute “Government”.
- (3) Subsection (2) does not apply to section 31(1) of the 1998 Act (as to which, see section 6 of this Act).
- (4) Unless the context requires otherwise, any reference to the Scottish Executive in any enactment, instrument or other document made before the date on which this section comes into force (except the enactments mentioned in subsections (2) and (3)) is to be read as a reference to the Scottish Government.