These notes relate to the Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (asp 5) which received Royal Assent on 14 July 2000

# ABOLITION OF FEUDAL TENURE

### ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

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#### **Commentary on Sections**

#### **Part 5: Entails**

## Section 51: Compensation for expectancy or interest of apparent or other nearest heir in an entailed estate

175. Under sections 1 and 2 of the Entail Amendment Act 1848, any heir of entail in possession born after the date of the entail can now disentail without any consent or payment of compensation. Only if the heir in possession was born before the date of the entail (which must have been before 10 August 1914 - the date of the prohibition of the creation of new entails under the Entail (Scotland) Act 1914) could there be any question of compensation. It is therefore unlikely that there will be any heirs in a position to claim compensation for the effects of automatic disentailing on their prospects of succeeding to the entailed estates. This section provides a mechanism for assessing compensation and having it secured on the land.