*These notes relate to the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000 (asp 6) which received Royal Assent on 14 July 2000* 

# STANDARDS IN SCOTLAND'S SCHOOLS ETC. ACT 2000

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### THE ACT

#### Pre-school children

#### Section 41 – Rights of appeal against exclusion from school

86. At present, the parent of the pupil, or the pupil where the pupil is a young person, can appeal against exclusions. Section 41 extends the right to appeal to include pupils with legal capacity in terms of the Age of Legal Capacity (Scotland) Act 1991. In effect, it allows pupils under 16, as long as they have legal capacity, to appeal on their own behalf, independently of their parents.