These notes relate to the Convention Rights (Compliance) (Scotland) Act 2001 (asp 7)

# **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

# CONVENTION RIGHTS (COMPLIANCE) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2001

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