These notes relate to the Scottish Local Government (Elections) Act 2002 (asp 1) which received Royal Assent on 24 January 2002

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

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3. Section 5(3) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 provides for local government elections to be held on a three-year cycle. Section 1 deletes the reference to the three-year cycle and inserts a new provision for local government elections to be moved to a four-year cycle by being linked to the years in which ordinary elections to the Scottish Parliament occur.