

*These notes relate to the Homelessness etc. (Scotland) Act
2003 (asp 10) which received Royal Assent on 9 April 2003*

HOMELESSNESS ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

LOCAL CONNECTION

Section 7: Application of section 27 of the 1987 Act to refugees

15. Section 27 of the 1987 Act sets out the meaning of “local connection” for the purposes of Part II of that Act. One element of the definition is that applicant is, or was, “normally resident” in the area “and his residence in it is or was of his own choice”. Circumstances in which residence is not of the applicant’s own choice are listed at section 27(2) of the 1987 Act – section 7 adds to the current list to include circumstances where the applicant was resident in accommodation provided in pursuance of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.