

*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

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### NOTICES TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES

***Section 11: Notice to local authorities of proceedings for possession and enforcement of standard securities.***

19. This section places a duty on landlords to notify the local authority when raising proceedings for possession of a dwelling house, unless the landlord is the local authority or is already required to notify the local authority under any other enactment. The schedule to the Act makes modifications to enactments for that purpose and also imposes a similar duty on creditors taking steps to enforce standard securities. *Subsection (3)* allows Ministers to prescribe in regulations the form of the notice and how it is to be given; the regulations will, under *subsection (6)*, be subject to negative procedure. *Subsection (7)* extends the guidance powers of Ministers under section 79 of the 2001 Act to include guidance on the action to be taken by local authorities as a result of notification.