

*These notes relate to the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland)  
Act 2003 (asp 13) which received Royal Assent on 25 April 2003*

# **MENTAL HEALTH (CARE AND TREATMENT) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 20 – Absconding**

##### ***Section 310: regulations as to absconding by other patients***

615. Subsection (1) enables the Scottish Ministers to make regulations as to the circumstances in which a patient who absconds while subject to one of the orders listed in subsection (3) can be taken into custody.
616. The 2004 Order makes a minor amendment to allow any regulations made to require notification to be made, amongst others, to specified prosecutors.