

*These notes relate to the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act
2004 (asp 3) which received Royal Assent on 14 April 2004*

VULNERABLE WITNESSES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2004

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2 – Civil Proceedings

Section 20 – Live television link

82. This section allows witnesses to give evidence by live TV link. Subsection (1) imposes a duty on the court to make suitable arrangements for the evidence of a vulnerable witness to be given from outside the courtroom by a live television link. Subsection (2) allows the sheriff to transfer a case in which it is intended that a live television link be used from a sheriff court that does not have either the suitable accommodation or equipment to another court in the same sheriffdom that does.