These notes relate to the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Act 2005 (asp 13) which received Royal Assent on 5 August 2005

## SMOKING, HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## AMENDMENT OF REGULATION OF CARE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2001

## Section 29 – Independent health care services

137. Under the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001 (the 2001 Act) the Scottish Commission for the Regulation of Care (the Care Commission) registers and inspects a range of care services, deals with complaints and, where necessary, takes enforcement action. Section 2 of the 2001 Act lists and defines care services which are regulated by the Care Commission. This section of the Act amends section 2(5) of the 2001 Act which defines "an independent healthcare service" as: an independent hospital; a private psychiatric hospital; an independent clinic; and an independent medical agency. This amendment gives Scottish Ministers the power to except services from this definition by regulations, bringing it into line with other relevant care service definitions.