## POLICE, PUBLIC ORDER AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2006 (ASP 10)

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Part 2: Public Order Etc.

Chapter Two: Public Processions

## Section 70 – Notification of public processions

119. This section makes amendments to section 62 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 ("the 1982 Act"). The section extends the notice period before which the procession organiser must notify the local authority of their intention to process from 7 days to 28 days, to give local authorities and the police more time to consider applications; removes the ability of local authorities to grant exemptions from the requirement to notify them of a procession; and provides that section 62 does not apply to funeral processions organised by funeral directors. It also provides that the Scottish Ministers can prescribe, by order made by statutory instrument subject to negative resolution procedure, other processions to be exempt from the notification requirements. This section also allows local authorities to waive the 28-day notification requirement in exceptional circumstances.