

These notes relate to the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Act 2006 (asp 12) which received Royal Assent on 13 July 2006

INTERESTS OF MEMBERS OF THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 7: Voluntary registration

37. **Section 7** provides for the registration of any other interests which the member wishes to register. This covers interests not required to be registered under sections 3 or 5 if the member considers they are relevant to the proceedings of the Parliament and wishes to register them. As with other registrations, this is done by lodging a written statement with the Clerk.
38. An interest that is lodged under this section as a voluntary interest and is not subject to the provisions of sections 15 (prevention or restriction from participating in proceedings), 16 (exclusion from proceedings) and 17 (offences) of the Act.