

*These notes relate to the Human Tissue (Scotland) Act 2006
(asp 4) which received Royal Assent on 16 March 2006*

HUMAN TISSUE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT – AN OVERVIEW

Part 2: Post-Mortem Examinations

Section 24 – Disapplication of sections 23 and 27 to 37 as respects procurator fiscal

64. **Section 24** provides that none of the relevant provisions Part 2 of the Act (sections 23 and 27 to 37) affect anything done for the purposes of the functions, or under the authority of, the procurator fiscal. These provisions apply therefore only in relation to post-mortem examinations as defined in section 23 (in practice referred to generally as “hospital post-mortems”), as opposed to examinations of dead bodies instructed by or carried out for the purposes of the procurator fiscal.