

*These notes relate to the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland)
Act 2007 (asp 12) which received Royal Assent on 5th April 2007*

AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 1: Fish Farms and Shellfish Farms

Parasites

Section 4 – Meaning of parasite in Part 1

14. Subsection (1) of section 4 defines “parasite” for the purposes of Part 1 of the Act as meaning *Caligus elongatus* and *Lepeophtheirus salmonis*, two species of sea lice that affect salmon on farms and in the wild. Subsection (2) enables the Scottish Ministers to modify the meaning of the term “parasite” in subsection (1) for the purposes of Part 1 by making an order. This would allow the provisions of Part 1 in respect of parasites to be exercised in respect of such other species of parasite as an order specifies are to be included within the meaning of the term “parasite”. The power to make such an order under subsection (2) of section 4 must be exercised by statutory instrument which is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of the Scottish Parliament by virtue of section 43 (Orders).