

*These notes relate to the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland)
Act 2007 (asp 14) which received Royal Assent on 18 April 2007*

PROTECTION OF VULNERABLE GROUPS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

Functions of the Scottish Ministers in the Act

8. Many of the functions allocated to the Scottish Ministers will be undertaken on behalf of them by civil servants in an executive agency. The agency will be divided, administratively, into two separate elements: a Vetting and Disclosure Unit and a Central Barring Unit. The Central Barring Unit will exercise most of the functions allocated to the Scottish Ministers in Part 1 and the Vetting and Disclosure Unit will exercise most of the functions in Part 2 as well as the criminal record checks and other functions allocated from the Police Act. For the sake of clarity, these notes refer to the Central Barring Unit and the Vetting and Disclosure Unit, where appropriate, instead of the Scottish Ministers.