These notes relate to the Custodial Sentences and Weapons (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 17) which received Royal Assent on 19 April 2007

# CUSTODIAL SENTENCES AND WEAPONS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

# **COMMENTARY ON PARTS**

**Part 2 - Confinement and Release of Prisoners** Chapter 1

### **Introductory**

### Section 4 - Basic Definitions

- 26. This section provides definitions of various terms used in the Act.
- 27. Subsection (2) gives Scottish Ministers the power to amend, by order, the definitions of "custody and community sentence" and "custody-only sentence" by substituting a different period for the period mentioned (which is 15 days).
- 28. Subsections (3) and (4) provide that:
  - release on community licence is a reference to the release on licence of a custody and community prisoner; and
  - release on life licence is a reference to the release on licence of a life prisoner.