These notes relate to the Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 6) which received Royal Assent on 22 February 2007

# CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS ETC. (REFORM) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Part 2 - Proceedings

### Other provisions

## Section 24: Reports about supervised persons

- 158. This section introduces new provisions into section 203 of the 1995 Act in relation to the requirement that the court requests a report from the local authority in certain cases by inserting new subsections (1A) and (1B) into the section.
- 159. Subsection (1) of section 203 provides that where an offender who is the subject of a statutory supervision requirement is due to be sentenced for a further offence the court must request a report from the local authority on the offender. Subsection (1A) as inserted provides that where a report on the character of the offender has been provided in respect of that offender in the three months prior to conviction the court need not request a further report, but can still do so if it considers it necessary.
- 160. Section (1B) as inserted provides that where the court considers that a report from the local authority would not be of material assistance when considering the disposal of the case the court need not request such a report.