*These notes relate to the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010* (*asp 5*) *which received Royal Assent on 10 March 2010* 

## **MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010**

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### THE ACT

# **Part 5** – Marine Protection and Enhancement: the Scottish Marine Protection Area

### Offences

#### Section 98 - Prohibited act taken in an emergency

153. Section 98 sets out defences to certain offences. There are defences for where the act was necessary to save a life or to secure the safety of a vessel, aircraft or marine structure, and the person took steps within a reasonable time to inform the Scottish Ministers of the matters set out in subsection (2).