

*These notes relate to the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act  
2011 (asp 1) which received Royal Assent on 6 January 2011*

# **CHILDREN'S HEARINGS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2011**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 1 – the National Convener and Children's Hearings Scotland (Chs)**

##### **Functions of CHS**

##### ***Section 12 – Independence of National Convener***

14. This section provides a clear separation of functions between CHS and the National Convener and prevents CHS or any other person from directing or guiding the National Convener in carrying out their functions. Subsection (2) makes clear that this prohibition is subject to the power of the Scottish Ministers under section 10(1)(e) to specify by secondary legislation the manner or timing in which any function of the National Convener is carried out.