

*These notes relate to the Certification of Death (Scotland) Act 2011 (asp 11) which received Royal Assent on 20 April 2011*

# **CERTIFICATION OF DEATH (SCOTLAND) ACT 2011**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### ***Medical reviewers***

##### ***Section 1: Medical reviewers***

9. This section introduces medical reviewers and the senior medical reviewer who will exercise their functions on behalf of Healthcare Improvement Scotland (HIS), a body set up in Schedule 5A to the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978. They will be appointed by and be employees of HIS. This section also gives effect to schedule 1 to the Act which provides further detail regarding the status and appointment of medical reviewers and the senior medical reviewer.