

*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**

#### *Other functions of medical reviewers*

#### *Section 20: Training and information functions*

52. This section sets out additional functions of the medical reviewer and senior medical reviewer. These are: collating and analysing information relating to medical certificates of cause of death; providing guidance, training and direct support to doctors and other healthcare professionals; providing guidance and support to district registrars in relation to certificates; and liaising with other persons or organisations. The purpose of this is to improve the quality of medical certificates of cause of death and the administrative processes for dealing with the disposal of bodies.