

# IMMIGRATION ACT 2014

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### **Part 4: Marriage and Civil Partnership**

##### ***Chapter 1: Referral and Investigation of Proposed Marriages and Civil Partnerships***

##### ***Section 53: Extension of scheme to Scotland and Northern Ireland***

300. *Subsection (1)* provides an order-making power to make such provision as the Secretary of State considers appropriate to extend the referral and investigation scheme to proposed marriages and civil partnerships in Scotland and Northern Ireland. The order is subject to the affirmative resolution procedure (see section 74(2)).
301. *Subsection (2)* provides that an order under this section can make provision having a similar effect to that made by section 58 (requirement as to giving notice of marriage or civil partnership), Schedule 4 (which contains amendments to the 1949 Act and Civil Partnership Act 2004 relating to referrals under the scheme), or Parts 1, 2 and 4 of Schedule 6 (disclosure of information for immigration purposes); can confer functions on any person; and can amend, repeal or revoke any enactment.
302. *Subsection (3)* provides that an order under this section can impose on registration officials and registration authorities in Scotland and Northern Ireland a duty of referral to the Secretary of State under the scheme.
303. *Subsection (4)* provides that an order under this section may not impose a duty or confer a function on Scottish Ministers or the Northern Ireland Executive.
304. *Subsection (5)* defines particular terms used in this section.