These notes relate to the Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Act 2019 (asp 7) which received Royal Assent on 11 June 2019

AGE OF CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY

(SCOTLAND) ACT 2019

EXPLANATORY NOTES

PART 3: VICTIM INFORMATION

Changes made by the Act

Impact on pre-existing law of change in age of criminal responsibility

- 73. Part 1 of the Act would, if section 53 of the 2003 Act remained in place, have meant that information about action taken in response to the behaviour of eight to 11 year olds would not be available to persons affected by such behaviour (as the availability of information under that section depended on an offence having been committed, and eight to 11 year olds will not be able to commit an offence once Part 1 of this Act is in force).
- 74. Part 1 of the Act does not affect the provision of information under section 68(3) of the 2011 Act, as this provision applies whichever section 67 ground was being considered in relation to the child.