# CIVIL PARTNERSHIP (SCOTLAND) ACT 2020

# **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON PROVISIONS**

### Final provisions

### Section 16: Commencement

- 35. Section 16 deals with when the Act's provisions come into effect as a matter of law.
- 36. The Act's final provisions (sections 15 to 17) take effect the day after the Bill receives Royal Assent.
- 37. The rest of the Act's provisions take effect on the day, or days, appointed by the Scottish Ministers by regulations. Section 16 allows the regulations to appoint different days for different purposes. Regulations appointing the day that some or all of the Act's provisions take effect will be laid before the Scottish Parliament in accordance with section 30 of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.