

*These notes relate to the Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data)
(Scotland) Act 2020 (asp 17) which received Royal Assent on 1 October 2020*

AGRICULTURE (RETAINED EU LAW AND DATA) (SCOTLAND) ACT 2020

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON PROVISIONS

Part 1 – Retained EU law

Section 11 – Carcass classification

130. This section provides for the Scottish Ministers to be able, by regulations subject to the affirmative procedure, to provide for the classification, identification and presentation of bovine, pig and sheep carcasses by slaughterhouses in Scotland.
131. Subsection (2) provides that regulations made under this section may provide for enforcement of the provisions of the regulations, including in particular in respect of the matters specified in this subsection which include the creation of offences and the imposition of monetary penalties. A monetary penalty is a civil penalty rather than a criminal fine.
132. Subsection (4) has the effect that the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider are representative of the interests of persons likely to be affected before laying a draft of a Scottish statutory instrument containing regulations under this section before the Scottish Parliament.