These notes relate to the Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Act 2020 (asp 18) which received Royal Assent on 10 November 2020

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AND TRIBUNAL MEMBERSHIP (SCOTLAND) ACT 2020

EXPLANATORY NOTES

OVERVIEW

Part 1: Social Security Administration

Section 9: Duty to inform about possible eligibility

63. Section 9 places the Scottish Ministers under a new duty to inform individuals about possible eligibility for the Scottish Child Payment, and any other top-up payments under regulations made under section 79 of the 2018 Act, when determining entitlement to assistance under Part 2 of the 2018 Act. The duty would also apply in the other direction – so that in making a determination of entitlement for a form of top-up assistance under section 79 of the 2018 Act, the Scottish Ministers must inform an individual of their possible eligibility for other forms of assistance under section 79 of the 2018 Act, as well as forms of assistance under Part 2 of the 2018 Act.