EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Curators ad Litem and Reporting Officers (Panels) (Scotland) Regulations 2001 ("the Curators ad Litem and Reporting Officers Regulations") in consequence of the changes made to section 101 of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995 by the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 which repealed and replaced the Adoption (Scotland) Act 1978.

In addition, these Regulations make minor amendments to the Curators ad Litem and Reporting Officers Regulations and to the Panels of Persons to Safeguard the Interests of Children (Scotland) Regulations 2001 to replace cross references to the Children's Hearings (Legal Representation) (Scotland) Rules 2001 with references to the Children's Hearings (Legal Representation) (Scotland) Rules 2002 which revoked and replaced the 2001 Rules.