

---

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings into force various provisions of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2014 (“the Act”).

Article 2 and the schedule appoint 1st May 2017 for the commencement of the remaining provisions in Part 5 (mobile home sites with permanent residents) of the Act.

31st January 2018 is the day appointed for the coming into force of the majority of the provisions in Part 4 (letting agents) of the Act.

Section 44 (offence of operating as a letting agent without registration) of the Act will come into force on 31st September 2018 which gives a period of 8 months from the date the register of letting agents is established before that offence provision is in force. Article 3 ensures that the offence provision will not apply if by that date an application has been made but has not been finally determined.

Sections 100, 101, 102, 104 and 105 of the Act come into force on the day the Bill for the Act received Royal Assent: 1st August 2014