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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Rules amend the Lands Tribunal for Scotland Rules 1971 and the Lands Tribunal for Scotland Rules 2003 and come into force on 1 April 2022.

These Rules add a new fee in respect of an application to the Lands Tribunal for Scotland made under the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (Register of Persons Holding a Controlled Interest in Land) Regulations 2021 (“the 2021 Regulations”).

These Rules also make provision for proceedings to be held in private where an application to the Lands Tribunal for Scotland has been made under regulation 18 of the 2021 Regulations. Regulation 18 provides for an application to be made to the Lands Tribunal for Scotland against a decision by the Keeper of the Registers of Scotland in respect of a security declaration.

A Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment has not been provided for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.