# Parliamentary Bureau – Approval of Scottish Statutory Instruments

#### Affirmative Instruments

Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Notification Requirements) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)

1. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Notification Requirements) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) be approved.

#### Purpose

2. Registered sex offenders are already required to notify certain matters to the police. This instrument will add a requirement to notify the police if the offender applies for a gender recognition certificate or receives a full gender recognition certificate.

## Consideration by committee

3. At its meeting on 26 November 2025 the Criminal Justice Committee agreed to recommend that the above Instrument be approved. The <a href="Committee's report was published on 27 November 2025">Committee's report was published on 27 November 2025</a>.

#### Energy Performance of Buildings (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)

4. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

**Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau:** That the Parliament agrees that the Energy Performance of Buildings (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) be approved.

## Purpose

5. This instrument provides the legislative basis for the operation of the Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) system and EPC assessor market within Scotland. This instrument revokes and replaces the Energy Performance of Buildings (Scotland) Regulations 2008 ('the 2008 regulations') which transposed the EU Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD). EPCs are an important source of information for current and potential building owners and tenants to help them understand the energy performance of their building. Valid EPCs must be provided when a building is advertised for sale or for let to a new tenant, and upon completion of construction of a new building. They must also be displayed in certain large buildings.

### Consideration by committee

6. At its meeting on 11 November 2025 the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee agreed to recommend that the above Instrument be approved. The Committee's report was published on 27 November 2025.

## Decision

- 7. Business Managers are invited to note that the above motions will be lodged.
- 8. Business Managers should reserve their position if their party intends to speak against or oppose the motions.

Parliamentary Business Team November 2025