SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 138 (C. 8)

CRIMINAL LAW

The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Commencement) (Scotland) Order 2004

Made - - - - 22nd March 2004

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 141(1) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003(**1**), hereby make the following Order:

Citation and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Commencement) (Scotland) Order 2004.

(2) This Order extends to Scotland only.

Commencement

2. The Sexual Offences Act 2003 shall come into force on 1st May 2004 in so far as it is not already in force.

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh
22nd March 2004

CATHY JAMIESON
A member of the Scottish Executive

(**1**) 2003 c. 42. The functions of the Secretary of State were, so far as exercisable in relation to Scotland, transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 142(6) of the 2003 Act and section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46).