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# Legislation; yesterday, today and tomorrow.....

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# Statistics



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- 2012 – 11 ASPs
  - 2013 - 14 ASPs
  - 2014 - 12 ASPs to date
  - Possible Stage 3 before end Aug – 5 Bills
  - 8 Bills in progress
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- 2013 -285 SSIs
  - 2014 -140 SSIs to date

# Constitutional Changes



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- Scottish Independence Referendum (Franchise) Act 2013
- Scottish Independence Referendum Act 2013
- Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Scotland) Act 2013
- Landfill Tax (Scotland) Act 2014
- Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Bill

# Reforming the Justice system



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- Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012
- Scottish Civil Justice Council and Criminal Legal Assistance (Scotland) Act 2013
- Regulatory Reform (Scotland) Act 2014
- Tribunals (Scotland) Act 2014
- Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill
- Courts Reform (Scotland) Bill
  
- Criminal Verdicts (Scotland) Bill

# Problem Children



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- Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) (Scotland) Act 2012 – off to EUCJ.....
- Salvesen v Riddell [2013] UKSC 22
  - The Agricultural Holdings (Scotland) Act 2003 Remedial Order 2014 (2014/98)
- Crofting (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2013
- Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 – Named Guardians

# Parliamentary Legislative Developments



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- Forth Road Bridge Act 2013
- Legal Writings (Counterparts and Delivery) (Scotland) Bill
- Private Bills
  - National Trust
  - Burrell
  - Leith Links
  - Portobello Park

# Help from the Welsh?



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- Local Government Byelaws (Wales) Bill 2012 reference [2012] UKSC 53 - Reference by AG for England and Wales
- Agricultural Sector (Wales) Bill 2013 -Reference by AG for England and Wales
- Recovery of Medical Costs for Asbestos Diseases (Wales) Bill - Reference by the Counsel General for Wales
- What does “relates to” and “Incidental to, or consequential on” mean and what are their effects in the Scotland Act 1998 and the Government of Wales Act 2006, are they different and does it matter....

# Most significant?



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- Referendum Acts
- Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2014
- Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014
- Courts Reform legislation
- High Hedges (Scotland) Act 2013



# Tomorrow?



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- Assisted Suicide (Scotland) Bill
- More Members Bills
- Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill – Bonomy on Corroboration
- Post referendum legislative activity...