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PUBLIC HEALTH

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The Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) (Scotland) Act 2012 (Commencement) Order 2017

Made - - - - 21st November 2017

Laid before the Scottish Parliament 22nd November 2017

Coming into force - - 6th December 2017

The Scottish Ministers make the following order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 5 of the Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) (Scotland) Act 2012(a).

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1. This Order may be cited as the Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) (Scotland) Act 2012 (Commencement) Order 2017 and comes into force on 6th December 2017.

Appointed Day

2. The day appointed for the coming into force of section 1 (minimum price of alcohol) of the Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) Scotland Act 2012, so far as is necessary for the purpose of enabling the Scotlish Ministers to make orders under paragraph 6A of schedule 3 and paragraph 5A of schedule 4 of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005(**b**), is 6th December 2017.

SHONA ROBISON
A member of the Scottish Government

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 21st November 2017

⁽a) 2012 asp 4.

⁽b) 2005 asp 16.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force section 1 of the Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) (Scotland) Act 2012 which makes amendments to the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005. The amendments will introduce further mandatory conditions of premises licences granted under the 2005 Act. The condition is that alcohol must not be sold on these premises at a price below the minimum price. The Scottish Ministers are given a power by the new provisions to specify by order, the minimum price per unit of alcohol and the relevant labelling conditions in accordance with which bottles and other containers of alcohol must be labelled. This Order commences section 1 for the purpose of making that Order.

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