# **COMPANIES ACT 2006**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### TERRITORIAL EXTENT AND DEVOLUTION

Part 7: Re-Registration as a Means of Altering a Company's Status

## Private limited company becoming unlimited

## Section 102: Re-registration of private limited company as unlimited

- 217. This section replaces section 49, of the 1985 Act. As now, this section permits a private company that is limited by shares or, as the case may be, by guarantee, to reregister as an unlimited private company, providing that certain conditions are met (see *subsection* (2)) and all of the members have given their assent to the company being so re-registered. In the case of a deceased member, assent may be given by the personal representative of the deceased member's estate. Where a member is bankrupt, assent may be given by his trustee in bankruptcy (to the exclusion of the member in question).
- 218. An "unlimited company" is a company not having any limit on the liability of its members.
- 219. As now, a company may not re-register as an unlimited company, if it has previously been re-registered as limited (having previously been unlimited) or as unlimited (having previously been limited).
- 220. The application for re-registration as an unlimited company must be accompanied by a statement of compliance (see note on section 13).