These notes refer to the Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 (c.4) which received Royal Assent on 8 May 2008

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND IMMIGRATION ACT 2008

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **BACKGROUND**

## Part 1 – Youth rehabilitation orders

75. In September 2003, the Government published "Youth Justice – the next steps" (available at www.homeoffice.gov.uk/documents/cons-youth-justice-next-steps/) a companion document to the Green Paper "Every Child Matters". This paper set out possible reforms to the Youth Justice System. A summary of the responses to this consultation together with the Government's response was published in March 2004 (available at www.homeoffice.gov.uk/documents/cons-youth-jus-next-steps-summ/). Part 1 of the Act gives effect to the proposals to create a YRO.