

*These notes refer to the Welfare of Animals Act (Northern Ireland)  
2011 (c.16) which received Royal Assent on 29 March 2011*

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 4 - Enforcement**

##### **Enforcement Powers**

##### *Section 24 - Inspection in connection with licences*

This section concerns powers of inspection in relation to activities for which it is necessary to obtain a licence. It provides that routine inspections may be carried out to check that licence conditions are being complied with. Currently, in relation to some activities that require a licence, inspections can only be made when inspectors suspect an offence has been committed.