

*These notes refer to the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
(c.33) which received Royal Assent on 11 November 1999*

IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM ACT 1999

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Schedule 9

Section 118: Housing authority accommodation

343. This section (which has the effect of replacing section 9(1) of the Asylum and Immigration Act 1996) ensures that, other than where it is provided under arrangements made under Part VI of the Act, tenancies of local authority housing may only be granted to persons subject to immigration control if they fall within a class specified in an order made by the Secretary of State; such an order may not extend to persons excluded from benefit under section 115 of this Act. Both in respect of this section and section 119 it is envisaged that such an order might extend to those classes of person subject to immigration control as are entitled to receive social security benefits (eg persons here on unlimited leave).