

*These notes refer to the Race Relations (Amendment) Act 2000  
(c.34) which received Royal Assent on 30 November 2000*

# **RACE RELATIONS (AMENDMENT) ACT 2000**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **SUMMARY OF THE 2000 ACT**

8. The 2000 Act's main purposes are to:
- extend further the 1976 Act in relation to public authorities, outlawing race discrimination in functions not previously covered;
  - place a duty on specified public authorities to work towards the elimination of unlawful discrimination and promote equality of opportunity and good relations between persons of different racial groups;
  - make chief officers of police vicariously liable for acts of race discrimination by police officers; and
  - amend the exemption under the 1976 Act for acts done for the purposes of safeguarding national security.