

*These notes refer to the Adoption and Children Act 2002  
(c.38) which received Royal Assent on 7th November 2002*

# **ADOPTION AND CHILDREN ACT 2002**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

**ANNEX B:**

| <b>Stage</b>                              | <b>Date</b>  | <b>Hansard Reference</b>             |
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| House of Commons                          |  |                                      |
| Introduction                              | 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2001                            | Vol 372 Col 1360                     |
| Second Reading                            | 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2001                            | Vol 373 Cols 649-726                 |
| Committee                                 | 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2001 – 17 <sup>th</sup> January | Special Standing Committee           |
| Report and Third Reading                  | 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2002                              | Vol 382 Cols 374-408                 |
|   | 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2002                                | Vol 385 Cols 938-1025                |
|   | 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2002                                | Vol 386 Cols 22-125                  |
| House of Lords                            |  |                                      |
| Introduction                              | 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2002                                | Vol 635 Col 641                      |
| Second Reading                            | 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2002                               | Vol 636 Cols 20-33 and 46-115        |
| Committee                                 | 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2002                               | Vols 636-367 Cols CWH1-390           |
|   | 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2002                               |                                      |
|   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2002                                |                                      |
|   | 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2002                                |                                      |
|   | 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2002                               |                                      |
|   | 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2002                               |                                      |
|   | 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2002                               |                                      |
| Report                                    | 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2002                            | Vol 639 Cols 597-672                 |
|   | 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2002                            | Vol 639 Cols 860-950                 |
|   | 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2002                            | Vol 639 Cols 1332-1401 and 1417-1426 |
| Third Reading                             | 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2002                            | Vol 640 Cols 199-251                 |
| Further Consideration                     |  |                                      |
| Commons Consideration of Lords Amendments | 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2002                            | Vol 392 Cols 24-115                  |
| Lords Consideration of Commons Amendments | 5 <sup>th</sup> November 2002                            | Vol 640 Cols 567-634                 |
| Royal Assent                              |  |                                      |
| House of Lords                            | 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2002                            | Vol 640 Col 963                      |
| House of Commons                          | 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2002                            | Vol 392 Col 480                      |