These notes refer to the Housing Act 2004 (c.34) which received Royal Assent on Thursday 18 November 2004

# **HOUSING ACT 2004**

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

# **Part 2** – Licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation

## Section 58: Designation needs confirmation or general approval to be effective

184. Section 58 provides that designations for additional licensing schemes need to be confirmed (unless covered by a general approval, see below) by the appropriate national authority. A designation comes into force no earlier than 3 months after it has been confirmed. The section also provides that the appropriate national authority may give general approval to certain types of designations or specified LHAs. Where a designation has been made under a general approval it cannot come into force until at least 3 months after the designation is made.