These notes refer to the Gender Recognition Act 2004 (c.7) which received Royal Assent on 1July 2004

## **GENDER RECOGNITION ACT 2004**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

## Section 17: Trustees and personal representatives

81. A trustee or personal representative is responsible for conveying and distributing property from a trust or estate. This section relieves a trustee or personal representative from any fiduciary duty to inquire whether a gender recognition certificate has been issued to any person or revoked, even if that fact could affect entitlement to property which he is responsible for distributing. The beneficiary will nevertheless retain his or her claim to the property and may enforce this claim, e.g. by following the property into the hands of another person who has received it instead.