

*These notes refer to the Inquiries Act 2005 (c.12)  
which received Royal Assent on 7 April 2005*

# **INQUIRIES ACT 2005**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **GENERAL**

#### ***Section 41: Rules***

99. It is envisaged that the Lord Chancellor will make procedural rules for United Kingdom inquiries under this section. There is however no requirement for such rules to have been made before an inquiry may be established under the Act.
100. Subsection (2) enables rules to make provision for assessment of costs by a Costs Judge, among other things.
101. It is for the devolved administrations to make rules for their own inquiries. The rules will generally be subject to annulment by the relevant legislative body, as explained in subsections (5) and (6). However, there is no need for subsection (5) to make provision for Wales, because sections 66(2) and 67(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998 set out the procedures for all general subordinate legislation made by the National Assembly for Wales.