*These notes refer to the Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007 (c.18) which received Royal Assent on 26 July 2007* 

# STATISTICS AND REGISTRATION

## **SERVICE ACT 2007**

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS AND SCHEDULES

### **Part 1: the Statistics Board**

#### Section 28 Efficiency etc

- 122. Subsection (1) obliges the Board to have regard to efficiency and cost-effectiveness when making decisions relating to the exercise of its functions.
- 123. Subsection (2) requires that the Board seek to limit the costs that individuals, businesses and other organisations bear as a result of its activities (for example, when requiring them to fill in a survey, or when their statistics are being assessed). As a result, the Board must consider the burdens it places on others as a part of decisions such as, whether to acquire data from existing administrative sources or whether to commission new data instead.