## **EDUCATION AND SKILLS ACT 2008**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Local education authority

Legal background

Part 4: Regulation and inspection of independent educational provision in England

Chapter 2: Schools providing for special educational needs

Section 143: Right of sixth-form pupils to opt out of religious worship

166. The 1998 Act as amended by the 2006 Act provides for a sixth-form pupil in a maintained special school to withdraw from religious worship. This section obliges the Secretary of State to make regulations to afford the same rights to sixth-form pupils in non-maintained special schools.