## **EQUALITY ACT 2010**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Part 16: General and Miscellaneous

Schedule 3: Services and public functions: exceptions

**Part 2: Education** 

**Education: paragraph 6** 

**Education: paragraph 8** 

Effect

688. This paragraph provides an exception from the prohibition on sex discrimination in Part 3 in relation only to the establishment of a school. A local authority will not be prevented from establishing single-sex schools, but must provide similar numbers of places for boys and girls.

Background

689. This provision is designed to replicate the effect of provisions in the Sex Discrimination Act 1975.