

## European Union Act 2011

## **2011 CHAPTER 12**

## PART 1

RESTRICTIONS ON TREATIES AND DECISIONS RELATING TO EU

Restrictions relating to amendments of TEU or TFEU

## 3 Amendment of TFEU under simplified revision procedure

- (1) Where the European Council has adopted an Article 48(6) decision subject to its approval by the member States, a Minister of the Crown may not confirm the approval of the decision by the United Kingdom unless—
  - (a) a statement relating to the decision was laid before Parliament in accordance with section 5.
  - (b) the decision is approved by Act of Parliament, and
  - (c) the referendum condition, the exemption condition or the significance condition is met.
- (2) The referendum condition is that—
  - (a) the Act providing for the approval of the decision provides that the provision approving the decision is not to come into force until a referendum about whether the decision should be approved has been held throughout the United Kingdom or, where the decision also affects Gibraltar, throughout the United Kingdom and Gibraltar,
  - (b) the referendum has been held, and
  - (c) the majority of those voting in the referendum are in favour of the approval of the decision.
- (3) The exemption condition is that the Act providing for the approval of the decision states that the decision does not fall within section 4.
- (4) The significance condition is that the Act providing for the approval of the decision states that—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (a) the decision falls within section 4 only because of provision of the kind mentioned in subsection (1)(i) or (j) of that section, and
- (b) the effect of that provision in relation to the United Kingdom is not significant.