These notes refer to the Finance Act 2015 (c.11) which received Royal Assent on 26 March 2015

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Section 41: Entrepreneurs' Relief: Associated Disposals

Background Note

- 20. These new provisions are effective in relation to disposals on or after 18 March 2015 in order to prevent the forestalling which would otherwise be likely.
- 21. This measure removes an unintended facility under the entrepreneurs' relief rules. Under these rules the relief could be claimed by an individual on a disposal of a private asset used in a business without the individual permanently reducing their participation in the business by a meaningful amount. Allowing relief in these circumstances is not consistent with the purpose of ER on associated disposals, which is to promote the transfer of a business to new proprietors along with all the assets used in that business, including assets which are not owned by the trading entity.
- 22. This measure ensures that entrepreneurs' relief is better targeted at people who have genuinely reduced their participation in a business.