PROTECTION OF CHILDREN ACT 1999

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 13 – Transitory

23. Section 13 makes further provision for dovetailing present and future arrangements:

Subsections 13(1) and (2) provide that cases referred for inclusion on the Consultancy Service Index satisfying any of the conditions specified in section 2(2) or 2(3) but undetermined by the time section 2 is brought into effect must be treated as if they were fresh references under section 2(1), thus engaging the full procedural protections afforded by those provisions;

Subsection 13(3) preserves the ability of organisations to access the Consultancy Service Index and List 99 without first going through the Criminal Records Bureau until such time as the one stop shop set up by section 8 comes into operation;

Subsection 13(4) makes it clear that it will remain possible to access List 99 without having to go through the Criminal Records Bureau.