

*These notes refer to the Armed Forces Act 2001  
(c.19) which received Royal Assent on 11 May 2001*

# **ARMED FORCES ACT 2001**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **THE ACT - COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 6 – Other amendments**

##### **Children in respect of whom protective orders may be made**

149. Paragraphs 57 and 58 relate to sections 17 and 19 the Armed Forces Act 1991, which deal with the protection of children in families with the armed forces abroad. These provisions give certain officers power to make assessment and protection orders in respect of certain children in emergencies. However, the definition of which children may be made the subject of these orders appeared to exclude certain categories, for example, those who are staying with, rather than residing with, the families of persons subject to the SDAs. The new paragraphs apply the power to any child who is residing, or staying, with such a family abroad.