## COMMONHOLD AND LEASEHOLD REFORM ACT 2002

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON THE SECTIONS: PART 1**

Qualifying rules

Section 140: Exclusion of certain business tenancies

234. Section 140 provides that business tenants (who must also meet the residence condition in section 140 above) do not qualify for the right to enfranchise unless they were granted a lease with an original term of more than 35 years, or the lease contained a covenant or obligation for renewal which has been exercised to make the total of the term more than 35 years.