

*These notes refer to the Enterprise Act 2002 (c.40)  
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# **ENTERPRISE ACT 2002**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 3: Mergers**

#### **Summary and Background**

#### *Chapter 4: Enforcement*

#### **Interim restrictions and powers**

#### *Section 81: Interim orders*

234. This section allows the CC to make an order to prevent the parties to a merger from taking any action that might prejudice the eventual outcome of the merger reference. This provision is modelled on section 74 FTA 1973. It applies after a merger has been referred. An interim order can be made in respect of both completed and anticipated mergers.