## **COMMUNICATIONS ACT 2003**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Part 3: Television and Radio Services

Chapter 5: Media Ownership and Control

Section 352: Action following review under s. 351

- 746. If, following a review under section 351, OFCOM consider that the effect of the change of control is prejudicial to any of the matters they have reviewed, then under section 352 they must vary the licence, the only exception being where the matter in issue relates to subsection (7) of section 351, in which case they have a discretion whether to vary the licence. Any such variation may lead to the inclusion in the licence of conditions that are more burdensome than those included prior to the variation. However, they must be conditions that would have been fulfilled throughout the twelve months immediately before the relevant change of control.
- 747. The licensee must be given a reasonable opportunity to comment on the report before OFCOM vary the licence. The variation shall not be effective until the change of control actually occurs.