

*These notes refer to the Human Tissue Act 2004 (c.30)
which received Royal Assent on 15 November 2004*

HUMAN TISSUE ACT 2004

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2 - Regulation of Activities Involving Human Tissue

The Human Tissue Authority

Section 14: Remit

32. *Subsection (1)* lists the activities within the HTA's remit. The activities include disposal of bodies and relevant material stored or used for scheduled purposes. *Subsection (3)* excludes from the remit of the HTA activities done in relation to material from bodies, or bodies, where the person died before the Act comes into force and has been dead for at least 100 years. *Subsection (4)* provides that the Secretary of State may by order add to the activities within the remit of the HTA. *Subsection (5)* defines 'relevant material' in this section as excluding blood or anything derived from blood for the purpose of transplantation. Blood and blood products for transfusion will be regulated upon implementation of Directive [2002/98/EC](#) setting standards of quality and safety for the collection, testing, processing, storage and distribution of human blood and blood components.