## **CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM ACT 2005**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Schedule 12: The Judicial Appointments Commission

**Part 2** The Commission

## Paragraph 36 General

254. This paragraph specifies that the Commission's first financial year begins when the Commission is established and ends the following 31 March. Subsequent financial years run from 1 April to 31 March. Commissioners are disqualified from election to the House of Commons by inserting a reference to the Judicial Appointments Commission into Part 2 of Schedule 1 to the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975. The Commission is included in the list of public authorities for the purposes of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 by inserting a reference to the Commission into Part 6 of Schedule 1 to that Act.