

*These notes refer to the Constitutional Reform Act 2005  
(c.4) which received Royal Assent on 24 March 2005*

# CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM ACT 2005

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### Chapter 2: Appointments

#### *General Provisions*

#### **Lord Chief Justice and Heads of Division**

#### *Section 68: Duty to fill vacancies*

276. [Section 68](#) imposes a duty on the Lord Chancellor to fill any vacancies in the offices of Lord Chief Justice or the Heads of Division. But, for as long as the Lord Chief Justice agrees, he may leave a vacancy in any of the offices of the Heads of Division unfilled.