

*These notes refer to the Commons Act 2006 (c.26)
which received Royal Assent on 19 July 2006*

COMMONS ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1: Registration

Information etc

Section 20 Inspection

112. **Section 20** provides for a right of public access to the commons registers, and to records held in connection with applications for registration under Part 1 or under the 1965 Act. Regulations may be made under *subsection (2)* which provide for exceptions to the right, or which place conditions on the exercise of the right, including, as under *subsection (3)*, the payment of fees.

Section 21 Official copies

113. **Section 21** provides for the admissibility in evidence, and the issue, of official copies. There is no provision in section 21 or elsewhere in Part 1 for official searches of the register (for which purpose regulations were made under the 1965 Act): it is expected that instead, non-statutory provision will be made for searches in an amendment to form CON29 Part II published by the Law Society.