

*These notes refer to the Road Safety Act 2006 (c.49)  
which received Royal Assent on 8 November 2006*

# **ROAD SAFETY ACT 2006**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **BACKGROUND**

13. In 2000, the Prime Minister launched the Road Safety Strategy "Tomorrow's Roads - Safer for Everyone", which set out the Government's framework for improving road safety, integral to which was the achievement of casualty reduction targets of 40 per cent of those killed and seriously injured (50 per cent for children) by 2010. In 2004 the Government published the first three year review of the Strategy, which evaluated the effectiveness of the Strategy and the likelihood of delivering the 2010 targets. The Road Safety Act 2006 gives effect to several elements of the Government's wider road safety strategy to reduce casualties and it supports the push towards achieving the casualty reduction targets.