

*These notes refer to the Charities Act 2006 (c.50)  
which received Royal Assent on 8 November 2006*

# CHARITIES ACT 2006

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### THE ACT

#### *Commentary on Sections*

#### ***Section 48: Restrictions on conducting collections in a public place***

188. This section sets out the restrictions on collecting in a public place. *Subsection (1)* provides that a collection in a public place cannot be undertaken unless the organisation (a) holds a public collections certificate (granted under section 52) and (b) has obtained a permit from the relevant local authority (granted under section 59).
189. *Subsection (2)* exempts from these requirements collections in a public place which are local short-term collections, provided for by section 50.
190. *Subsection (3)* provides that where a promoter undertakes a collection in a public place, other than an exempt local short-term collection, without a public collections certificate and a permit the promoter is guilty of an offence and is liable for a fine of up to level 5 on the standard scale (currently £5,000).