## FORCED MARRIAGE (CIVIL PROTECTION) ACT 2007

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

## Section 63L Remand: medical examination and report

- 57. Subsection (1) provides that, where the court considers that a medical report will be necessary, the court may remand an arrested person whilst they await that medical examination and report.
- 58. Subsections (2) and (3) provide that where there is an adjournment for a medical report, the case must not be adjourned for more than 4 weeks at a time, unless the accused is in custody in which case the adjournment must be for no more than 3 weeks.
- 59. Subsections (4) and (5) provide that where an arrested person is suffering from a mental illness or severe mental impairment, the court has the same power to order that the person be remanded in order that a report can be made on their mental condition, as the Crown Court has under section 35 of the Mental Health Act 1983.