

*These notes refer to the UK Borders Act 2007 (c.30)  
which received Royal Assent on 30th October 2007*

# UK BORDERS ACT 2007

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### SUMMARY

#### *Enforcement*

12. [Sections 22-23](#) create an offence of assaulting an immigration officer and give immigration officers the power to arrest a person who has committed or is about to commit such an offence.
13. [Sections 24 to 26](#) deal with the conditions under which cash may be seized and detained property forfeited and disposed of.
14. [Sections 27 and 28](#) cover the arrest of individuals who knowingly employ an illegal worker and searches that may be made by immigration officers for personnel records.
15. [Section 29](#) is an amendment that ensures that acts committed after an asylum seeker has arrived in the United Kingdom but before they have entered will be covered by the offence of facilitating an asylum-seeker's entry to the United Kingdom.
16. [Section 30](#) is an amendment that ensures that those non-UK citizens who commit acts of facilitation whilst outside of the UK in order to secure the illegal entry of individuals to the UK fall within the scope of the various facilitation offences.
17. [Section 31](#) amends existing trafficking for exploitation offences to ensure that acts committed after a person has arrived in the United Kingdom, but before they have entered, will be covered by the offences. This section will also extend the extraterritorial application of the trafficking offences to cover acts of facilitation carried out overseas, irrespective of the nationality of the person carrying out the acts.