

These notes refer to the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 2008 (c.22) which received Royal Assent on 13 November 2008

HUMAN FERTILISATION AND EMBRYOLOGY ACT 2008

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1: Amendments of Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990

Section 29: Offences under 1990 Act

167. **Section 29** relates to offences and penalties described in the 1990 Act, as extended by the Act. It amends section 41 of the 1990 to take account of the prohibitions introduced by the Act including those relating to the creation or use of human admixed embryos without a licence; and sets out the circumstances where a defence can be raised under the 1990 Act. The requirement for consent of the Director of Public Prosecutions remains unchanged.