

*These notes refer to the Local Transport Act 2008 (c.26)
which received Royal Assent on 26 November 2008*

LOCAL TRANSPORT ACT 2008

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

Local bus services

Legal background

6. The current legal framework within which local bus services are operated in England and Wales (outside Greater London) is set out in the Transport Act 1985 (“the TA 1985”). In brief, the effect of the provisions contained in that Act was to deregulate the bus market outside London.

**Local bus services* are services provided on public service vehicles, on which passengers may travel for distances of less than 15 miles.