

*These notes refer to the Equality Act 2010 (c.15) which received Royal Assent on 8 April 2010*

# EQUALITY ACT 2010

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### **Part 16: General and Miscellaneous**

#### *Schedule 20: Rail vehicle accessibility: compliance*

#### *Paragraphs 5 to 12*

#### **Penalties: appeals: paragraph 12**

#### Effect

961. This paragraph sets out the right of an operator, on whom a penalty has been imposed, to appeal to a court on the grounds that either it is not liable to a penalty, or that the amount is too high. An appeal under this section is a re-hearing of the Secretary of State's original decision to impose a penalty, and may be brought whether or not the operator has given a notice of objection (under paragraph 11), or the Secretary of State has already reduced a penalty.