

## European Union Act 2011

## **2011 CHAPTER 12**

## PART 1

RESTRICTIONS ON TREATIES AND DECISIONS RELATING TO EU

Restrictions relating to amendments of TEU or TFEU

## 2 Treaties amending or replacing TEU or TFEU

- (1) A treaty which amends or replaces TEU or TFEU is not to be ratified unless—
  - (a) a statement relating to the treaty was laid before Parliament in accordance with section 5,
  - (b) the treaty is approved by Act of Parliament, and
  - (c) the referendum condition or the exemption condition is met.
- (2) The referendum condition is that—
  - (a) the Act providing for the approval of the treaty provides that the provision approving the treaty is not to come into force until a referendum about whether the treaty should be ratified has been held throughout the United Kingdom or, where the treaty also affects Gibraltar, throughout the United Kingdom and Gibraltar,
  - (b) the referendum has been held, and
  - (c) the majority of those voting in the referendum are in favour of the ratification of the treaty.
- (3) The exemption condition is that the Act providing for the approval of the treaty states that the treaty does not fall within section 4.