

These notes refer to the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 (c.10) which received Royal Assent on 1 May 2012

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

Part 1: Legal Aid

Supplementary

Section 38: Abolition of Legal Services Commission

251. **Section 38** abolishes the LSC. The LSC was established under section 1(1) of the Access to Justice Act 1999. Following the transfer of legal aid functions to the Lord Chancellor under section 1, it is intended that an Executive Agency will be created within the Ministry of Justice to administer legal aid.
252. **Subsections (3) and (4)** set out provisions for the production of a report and statement of accounts for the final period up to the day before the LSC ceases to exist.