SCHEDULE

AMENDMENTS TO THE RAILWAYS ACTS 1993 AND 2005

PART 2

AMENDMENTS TO THE RAILWAYS ACT 2005

- **51.**—(1) Section 35 (closures eligible to be treated as minor modifications) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (6)—
 - (a) for "the Secretary of State or the Scottish Ministers" substitute "the national authority";
 - (b) for "the Secretary of State or, as the case may be, the Scottish Ministers" substitute "the national authority".
- (3) After subsection (6) insert—
 - "(6A) Except where subsection (6B) or (7) applies, the Secretary of State is the national authority for the purposes of subsection (6).
 - (6B) The Welsh Ministers are the national authority for the purposes of subsection (6) where the only closures to which the order relates consist in—
 - (a) the discontinuance of one or more Wales-only services; or
 - (b) the discontinuance of a station, or part of a station, that—
 - (i) is wholly in Wales, and
 - (ii) is a station to which subsection (6C) applies or part of such a station.
 - (6C) This subsection applies to a station at which the only scheduled calls made by any railway passenger service are those made by a railway passenger service provided under a Welsh franchise agreement or secured to any extent by the Welsh Ministers."
- (4) In subsection (7)—
 - (a) for "It is the Scottish Ministers who may make an order under subsection (6)" substitute "The Scottish Ministers are the national authority for the purposes of subsection (6)";
 - (b) omit the words after paragraph (e).