EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order in Council is made under section 1 of the Ministers of the Crown Act 1975. It makes provision for, and in connection with, the functions under Chapter 1 of Part 5 of the Digital Economy Act 2017 so that, save for one exception set out in Article 3, the functions of the Secretary of State are to be exercised concurrently with the Minister for the Cabinet Office.

Article 2 directs functions of the Secretary of State are to be exercisable concurrently with the Minister for the Cabinet Office. Article 3 provides for the transfer of the function under section 44(4) (d) of the Digital Economy Act 2017 from the Secretary of State to the Minister for the Cabinet Office.

Article 4 makes supplementary provision. Article 5 makes provision preserving the validity of anything done by or in relation to the Secretary of State before the coming into force of this Order.

Article 6 makes consequential amendments to primary legislation.

Nothing in this Order alters the functions of the Welsh Ministers, the Scottish Ministers or the devolved authorities in Northern Ireland.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen