# COMMONHOLD AND LEASEHOLD REFORM ACT 2002

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON THE SECTIONS: PART 1**

#### Miscellaneous

#### Section 61: Matrimonial rights

116. Section 61 provides that, where the term 'tenant' is used in Part 1 of the Act, it applies to anyone who has matrimonial home rights under the Family Law Act 1996. This says, at section 30(2), that a spouse who is not entitled to a property right in the matrimonial home has '(a) if in occupation, a right not to be evicted or excluded from the dwelling-house or any part of it by the other spouse except with the leave of the court given by an order under section 33; (b) if not in occupation, a right with the leave of the court so given to enter into and occupy the dwelling house.