ENTERPRISE ACT 2002

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1: the Office of Fair Trading

Establishment etc. of Office of Fair Trading

Section 4: Annual and other reports

- 26. This section provides that, after the end of each financial year, the OFT will publish an annual report on its activities and performance, and lay the report before Parliament.
- 27. Subsection (2) stipulates that each annual report will include a general survey of developments in respect of matters falling within the scope of the OFT's functions; an assessment of progress against the year's annual plan (see section 3); a summary of the OFT's significant decisions, investigations and activities; a break-down of how the OFT has allocated its resources; and an assessment of its enforcement activities. This is the minimum that must be included in the report; it is open to the OFT to include more information if it wishes.
- 28. Subsection (4) allows the OFT to prepare other reports on issues that fall within its functions, and to publish them.