# **ENTERPRISE ACT 2002**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

## Part 8: Enforcement of Certain Consumer Legislation

#### Miscellaneous

#### Section 228: Evidence

- 570. Subsection (1) provides that convictions in any related criminal proceedings in the UK may be used as evidence in proceedings under this Part.
- 571. Subsection (2) enables findings in civil proceedings to be admitted in evidence under this Part of acts or omissions which constitute Community infringements or certain kinds of domestic infringements, except where the findings have been overturned on appeal (subsection (3)).
- 572. This will allow judgements in the criminal courts and findings in the civil courts to be admitted in evidence for the purpose of proving a breach of the relevant legislation or common law obligations. But it will still be necessary to prove that the conduct harms the collective interests of consumers.