

*These notes refer to the Licensing Act 2003 (c.17)  
which received Royal Assent on 10 July 2003*

## **LICENSING ACT 2003**

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

##### **PART 7: Offences**

##### ***Section 157 – Power to prohibit sale of alcohol on trains***

246. Subsections (1) and (2) provide for the prohibition of sales of alcohol at specified stations or on trains travelling between specified stations for a specified period. A prohibition order may be made by local magistrates on the application of a police officer of at least the rank of inspector, if the magistrates are satisfied that the order is necessary for the prevention of disorder. Subsection (4) requires the police officer who applied for the order (or another police officer who has been designated by the chief officer of police) to serve a copy of the order on the train operator or operators concerned. It is to be an offence knowingly to sell alcohol, or to permit its sale, in contravention of such an order.