

These notes refer to the European Parliamentary and Local Elections (Pilots) Act 2004 (c.2) which received Royal Assent on 1 April 2004

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENTARY AND LOCAL ELECTIONS (PILOTS) ACT 2004

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 1: Piloting conduct at European and local elections

9. Sections 1(1) and (2) provide that European Parliamentary elections and any combined local elections in the regions specified in section 1(3) are to be run as all-postal pilots and on the terms set out in a pilot order made by the Secretary of State. The pilot regions are the North East, East Midlands, Yorkshire & the Humber and North West electoral regions.
10. Subsections (4) and (5) provide that postal votes must be returned along with a 'declaration of identity' carrying the signature of the elector along with the signature, name and address of a witness.
11. Subsection (6) provides that secrecy warnings will be included on the declaration of identity.