# **HOUSING ACT 2004**

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

# **Part 2** – Licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation

## Section 74: Further provisions about rent repayment orders

211. Section 74 provides that where a landlord is actually convicted of an offence under section 72(1), and the LHA makes an application, the RPT is required to make a rent repayment order in respect of all Housing Benefit received by the landlord unless exceptional circumstances apply. In all other cases the RPT has discretion to make a rent repayment order for such an amount as is reasonable in the circumstances.