

*These notes refer to the Constitutional Reform Act 2005
(c.4) which received Royal Assent on 24 March 2005*

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM ACT 2005

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 7: General

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Section 148: Commencement

380. Provisions relating to the Speakership of the House of Lords, functions of the Lord Chancellor subject to transfer, modification or abolition, protected functions of the Lord Chancellor, interpretation, supplementary provision, ancillary provision for orders and regulations, extent, commencement and short title will come into force on Royal Assent. Section 4 (Guarantee of continued judicial independence: Northern Ireland) will be brought into force in accordance with an order made by the Secretary of State. All other provisions in the Act will be brought into force by order by the Lord Chancellor, who may make different arrangements for different purposes. Subsections (4) and (5) set out requirements relating to approval of accommodation for the Supreme Court, which must be fulfilled before the provision establishing the Supreme Court, section 23(1), may be brought into force.