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 1 Selection Commissions**

#### **Selection Commission**

#### Disqualification

- 84. Paragraph 5 details the circumstances in which judicial members of the commission are disqualified from sitting on the commission.
- 85. Paragraph 5(1) provides for cases of illness or other incapacity: any judge who might be eligible to sit on the appointing commission is considered to be disqualified if the Lord Chancellor believes that the person is for the time being incapacitated from serving on the commission.
- 86. Paragraphs 5(2), (3) and (4) provide for cases where a person is a candidate for appointment to the vacancy under consideration: judges of the Supreme Court below the position of President and judges from territorial jurisdictions will be disqualified from membership of the commission unless they first give the Lord Chancellor notice that they do not wish to be considered for the vacancy being filled.