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WORK AND FAMILIES ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENCEMENT

105. **Section 19** deals with commencement. Certain supplementary provisions (the interpretation section (section 16), the section relating to Northern Ireland (section 17) and sections 18 to 20 come into effect on Royal Assent. Otherwise there is a power for the Secretary of State to bring the provisions of the Act into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order appoint. Different days may be appointed for different purposes.

Hansard References

The following table sets out the dates and Hansard references for each stage of this Act's passage through Parliament.

<i>Stage</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Hansard reference</i>	
House of Commons			
Introduction	18 October 2005	Vol. 437 Col. 704	
Second Reading	5 December 2005	Vol. 440 Cols. 643-708	
Committee	13 December 2005	Hansard Standing Committee A	
Report and Third Reading	18 January 2006	Vol. 441 Cols. 848-908	
House of Lords			
Introduction	19 January 2006	Vol. 677 Col. 771	
Second Reading	14 February 2006	Vol. 678 Cols. 1089-1126	
Committee	9 March 2006	Vol. 679 Cols. 325-394GC	
Report	25 April 2006	Vol. 681 Cols. 95-140	
Third reading	8 May 2006	Vol. 681 Col. 691-708	
House of Commons			

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Commons Consideration of Lords Amendments	13 June 2006	Vol. 447 Col. 657-8	
Royal Assent – 21 June 2006		House of Lords Hansard Vol. 683 Col. 870	
		House of Commons Hansard Vol. 447 Col. 1408	