

HEALTH ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1 - Smoking

Chapter 1 - Smoke-Free Premises, Places and Vehicles

Section 1: Introduction

34. **Section 1** introduces the smoke-free premises, places and vehicles provisions within the Act. *Subsection (1)* explains that Chapter 1 of Part 1 makes provision prohibiting smoking in certain premises, places and vehicles. *Subsection (2)* defines “smoking” for the purposes of Chapter 1 of Part 1 and provides that “smoking” refers to smoking tobacco, or anything which contains tobacco, or smoking any other substance, and includes being in possession of lit tobacco, or anything lit which contains tobacco, or being in possession of any other lit substance in a form which could be smoked. “Smoking” therefore includes the smoking of cigarettes, pipes, cigars, herbal cigarettes and waterpipes (often known as hookah or shisha pipes) etc.