EQUALITY ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2: Discrimination on Grounds of Religion or Belief

Section 75: Police, &c.

- 255. Section 75 applies to members of police forces under the Police Act 1996 (c.16) or the Police (Scotland) Act 1967 (c.77), and special constables and police cadets appointed in accordance with either of those Acts.
- 256. Under *subsection* (2), such a person is treated as an employee of his chief officer of police for the purposes of this Part, and anything done by him in the course of his duties is to be treated as done in the course of that employment.
- 257. Under *subsection* (3), compensation, costs or expenses awarded against or incurred by a chief officer of police, in proceedings brought against him under this Part, will be paid out of the police fund. The police fund will also provide for any sums required by a chief officer of police for the settlement of a claim made against him under this Part.
- 258. Subsection (5) provides that a reference to the Equality Act will be included in the list of discrimination legislation at section 57 of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (c. 15). This list specifies the anti-discrimination legislation which applies to the Serious Organised Crime Agency.