These notes refer to the Companies Act 2006 (c.46) which received Royal Assent on 8 November 2006

## **COMPANIES ACT 2006**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **EXISTING LAW**

Notice of meetings

## Section 307: Notice required of general meeting

552. This section replaces part of section 369 of the 1985 Act. It retains the current minimum notice period requirement of 21 days for public company AGMs, with 14 days' notice required for all other general meetings (whether public or private company general meetings). A general meeting may be called on shorter notice if the requisite majority of members agree. The key substantive change from the position under existing legislation is that the requisite majority required to agree a short notice period has been reduced for private companies from 95% to 90% of the voting rights, although the articles may specify up to 95% if the company wishes. For public companies, the majority required to agree a short notice period remains at 95% of the voting rights.