

*These notes refer to the Crossrail Act 2008 (c.18)  
which received Royal Assent on 22 July 2008*

# CROSSRAIL ACT 2008

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS AND SCHEDULES

#### *Miscellaneous and general*

#### ***Section 38: Application of the Greater London Authority Act 1999***

102. *Section 38* would have effect in relation to agreements entered into between Transport for London and the Department for Transport (political sponsors of the Crossrail project) which provide for the transfer of Crossrail assets (and liabilities) from the control of Transport for London to the control of the Secretary of State. This section removes potential impediments to arrangements concerning project governance which were under negotiation at the time of enactment of the legislation.
103. Specifically, *subsection (2)* would remove any prospect that Transport for London might consider itself empowered or obliged, in order to further the strategy or directions of any future Mayor, to breach an agreement relating to the transfer of assets or liabilities.
104. *Subsection (3)* disapplies the requirement for the Secretary of State to consent to acts or transactions further to which land, or a leasehold interest in land, is to be disposed of by Transport for London or a subsidiary of it. This relaxation would occur only in circumstances in which such an act or transaction is in accordance with a pre-existing agreement between the project sponsors.