

*These notes refer to the Climate Change Act 2008 (c.27)  
which received Royal Assent on 26th November 2008*

# CLIMATE CHANGE ACT 2008

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### **Part 1: Carbon Target and Budgeting**

##### **Carbon budgeting**

##### *Section 8: Setting of carbon budgets for budgetary periods*

54. *Subsections (1) and (3)* require the Secretary of State to set carbon budgets using affirmative resolution orders.
55. *Subsection (2)* provides that every carbon budget must be set with a view to meeting the 2050 target, the 2020 target and any percentage target or percentage range for a year after 2050. Budgets must also be set with a view to complying with the UK's European Community and international obligations (any international treaties to which the UK is a signatory).