

*These notes refer to the Welfare Reform Act 2009 (c.24)
which received Royal Assent on 12 November 2009*

WELFARE REFORM ACT 2009

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 5: General

Section 61: Commencement

- 269. *Section 61* provides for *sections 1 and 2, 8, 11, 23, 27 and 28, 37, 57, 59 and 60, 62 and Schedule 3* (and section 61 itself) to come into force on Royal Assent (that is, on 12 November 2009).
- 270. *Sections 15 and 34, Part 2, section 58(2) and (3) and Part 2 of Schedule 7* (so far as relating to the repeals and revocations mentioned in *section 58(2)*) will come into effect at the end of two months after the date of Royal Assent.
- 271. The remaining provisions will be brought into force by means of commencement orders made by the Secretary of State. The orders may appoint different days for different areas and purposes and make necessary transitory, transitional or savings provisions.
- 272. Before making any commencement order relating to the registration of births under *Part 1 of Schedule 6*, the Secretary of State is required to consult with the Registrar General for England and Wales.