CHILD POVERTY ACT 2010

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS AND SCHEDULES

Part 1 – National Targets, Strategies and Reports (Sections 1 to 18)

Section 15: Statement required in relation to target year

- 80. Section 15 requires the Secretary of State to include a statement in the report under section 14(3). Subsection (1) provides that this statement must describe whether the targets in sections 3 to 6 have been met.
- 81. Subsection (2) requires the statement to be based on statistics officially classified as National Statistics. In practice this means that the statistics will be taken from the Department of Work and Pensions' Households Below Average Income data set, derived from its Family Resources Survey, and the *Understanding Society* survey undertaken by the University of Essex on behalf of the Economic and Social Research Council.
- 82. *Subsection (3)* provides that the percentages given in the statement will determine whether the targets in sections 3 to 6 have been met in relation to the target year.
- 83. Subsection (4) requires that if any of the targets in sections 3 to 6 have not been met the report under section 14(3) must give reasons for this.