#### DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2016 No.

## The Pubs Code etc. Regulations 2016

### PART 6

Market rent only option: procedure to be followed in connection with an offer

### Failure to acknowledge the tenant's notice, provide a full response etc.

- **32.**—(1) This regulation applies where a pub-owning business has received an MRO notice.
- (2) Where—
  - (a) the pub-owning business does not send a full response under regulation 29(3) or (4) within the period of response;
  - (b) the tied pub tenant considers that the pub-owning business's full response does not comply with other requirements of regulation 29; or
  - (c) the tied pub tenant disagrees with the pub-owning business's statement under regulation 29(4)(a),

the tenant or the pub-owning business may refer the matter to the Adjudicator(1).

- (3) Where the tied pub tenant or the pub-owning business intends to make a referral under paragraph (2), the tenant and the pub-owning business must notify each other, in writing, of their intention to do so before the referral is made.
- (4) A referral under paragraph (2) must be made within the period of 14 days beginning with the day after the end of the period of response.