EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made in exercise of the powers conferred by the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16) in order to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies (in particular under section 8(2)(c)) arising from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union.

These Regulations make amendments to domestic legislation in the fields of mutual recognition of professional qualifications and animal welfare. Part 2 amends the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 (c. 36) and makes transitional provision; Part 3 amends the Animal Welfare Act 2006 (c. 45).

An impact assessment has not be produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private or voluntary sector is foreseen.