

*These notes refer to the Health Act 1999 (c.8) which received Royal Assent on 30 June 1999*

# **HEALTH ACT 1999**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part I - the National Health Service**

##### ***Section 32: Joint consultative committees***

241. Joint Consultative Committees (JCCs) were established by section 22(2) of the NHS Act 1977. Membership of a JCC comprises representatives of the local Health Authority and their associated local authorities. Voluntary sector organisations from the area covered by the JCC are entitled to three seats on the JCC. Such arrangements are no longer necessary in the light of the new provisions for consultation set out in sections 28 to 31. Section 32 therefore removes the statutory requirement for JCCs from section 22 of the 1977 Act. The intention is that this provision will be brought into effect on 31 March 2000.