

*These notes refer to the Armed Forces Discipline Act  
2000 (c.4) which received Royal Assent on 25 May 2000*

# **ARMED FORCES DISCIPLINE ACT 2000**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### ***Section 15: Appointment of judge advocates***

47. This section inserts a new section into each of the SDAs.

*Subsection(1)* inserts a new *section 83ZB* into both the Army and Air Force Acts 1955. This section requires that judge advocates for the summary appeal court be appointed by the Judge Advocate General. It also refers to the section in the Acts specifying the necessary qualifications, i.e. at least five years standing as a qualified lawyer.

*Subsection (2)* inserts a new *section 52FG* into the Naval Discipline Act 1957. This section is identical in effect to that described in subsection (1) although it refers to the Chief Naval Judge Advocate as the appointing authority in this case.