

*These notes refer to the Identity Cards Act 2006
(c.15) which received Royal Assent on 30 March 2006*

IDENTITY CARDS ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Supplemental

Section 44: Short title, repeals, commencement and extent

224. This section allows the preceding provisions of the Act to be brought into force by order made by the Secretary of State. Different parts of the Act may come into force on different dates.
225. *Subsection (5)* provides that sections 36 and 38 (amendments relating to passport fees and data-sharing powers for passport applications) shall come into force two months after the Act is passed.
226. *Subsection (4)* clarifies that this includes a power to enable roll-out of the scheme to be undertaken by geographical areas; and that a trial may be undertaken in relation to particular areas or persons. This subsection includes a power to make transitional provision between the trial stage and full commencement of the scheme.
227. *Subsection (6)* provides an extension power so that sections may be applied to the Channel Islands or to the Isle of Man via Order in Council.
228. The Act extends to Northern Ireland (*subsection (8)*).