

*These notes refer to the Fraud Act 2006 (c.35)  
which received Royal Assent on 8 November 2006*

# **FRAUD ACT 2006**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### ***Schedule 1: Minor and Consequential Amendments***

##### **Limitation Act 1980**

Paragraph 18 amends section 4 (special time limit on civil actions in cases of theft). It replaces the existing section 4(5)(b), which defines “theft” as including cases of fraud under section 15 of the 1968 Act and blackmail under section 21 of the 1968 Act, with a new provision which refers to fraud (within the meaning of the Act). It preserves the reference to blackmail.