*These notes refer to the Constitutional Reform and Governance Act* 2010 (c.25) *which received Royal Assent on 8th April 2010* 

## CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM AND GOVERNANCE ACT 2010

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

## Section 30: MPs' allowances scheme

178. This section amends section 5 of the 2009 Act (which requires the IPSA to prepare and keep under review an allowances scheme). It provides that the duty on the IPSA to pay an allowance to an MP in accordance with the allowances scheme is subject to any disciplinary actions taken against the MP by the House of Commons. Such action could, amongst other things, include the withholding of one or more allowances for a specified period. Substituted section 4(7) of the 2009 Act (which replicates existing section 4(2)) makes equivalent provision in respect of the payment of MPs' salaries by the IPSA.