

*These notes refer to the Energy Act 2011 (c.16)  
which received Royal Assent on 18 October 2011*

# **ENERGY ACT 2011**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 4: Coal Authority**

#### ***Sections 115 and 116: Additional powers of the Coal Authority (England and Wales) and powers of the Coal Authority: Scotland***

341. These sections amend the Coal Industry Act 1994 to supplement the Coal Authority's existing powers. They give the Coal Authority the power to take action in respect of subsidence which is not caused by coal-mining activities and water discharges not from coal-mines. This will allow the Coal Authority to offer services in these fields. These sections provides that the Coal Authority's existing functions are not affected by this new power.