STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 640

The Specific Food Hygiene (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

PART 2

Amendment of retained direct EU legislation

Amendment of Regulation (EC) 854/2004

- **35.** In Article 17—
 - (a) for paragraph 1, substitute—
 - "1. The appropriate authority may prescribe amendments of, or additions to, Annexes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 to take account of scientific and technical progress.";
 - (b) for paragraph 2, substitute—
 - "2. The appropriate authority may prescribe exemptions from Annexes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 provided that they do not compromise the achievement of the objectives of this Regulation.";
 - (c) for paragraph 3, substitute—
 - "3. Nothing in this Regulation prevents the appropriate authority from using any power which the appropriate authority has to make subordinate legislation adapting the requirements set down in Annex 1 where that legislation does not compromise the achievement of the objectives of this Regulation and where the adaptations—
 - (a) concern in particular the food chain information or the presence of the competent authority in establishments; and
 - (b) have the aim of—
 - (i) enabling the continued use of traditional methods, at any of the stages of production, processing or distribution of food;
 - (ii) accommodating the needs of food businesses with a low throughput or that are situated in regions that are subject to special geographical constraints; or
 - (iii) permitting pilot projects to take place in order to test new approaches to hygiene controls on meat.";
 - (d) omit paragraphs 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.