## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations bring into force sections 8 and 21 of the Armed Forces Act 2021 (c. 35) on 22nd November 2022, in so far as they are not already in force.

Section 8 amends the Armed Forces Act 2006 (c. 52) to impose a new duty on specified persons or bodies to have due regard to the principles of the armed forces covenant when exercising relevant housing, education or healthcare functions in England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Section 21 substitutes a new subsection (5) and (6) for subsection (5) of section 8 of the Pensions Appeal Tribunals Act 1943 (c. 39 6 and 7 Geo. 6), which deals with the time limit for appeals.

Three earlier Commencement Regulations, (S.I 2022/471 (C. 17)), (S.I. 2022/625 (C. 33)) and (S.I. 2022/1095 (C. 87)), were made before the date of these Regulations.