

*These notes refer to the Safeguarding Board Act (Northern Ireland)
2011 (c.7) which received Royal Assent on 10 February 2011*

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 4: Directions to the Safeguarding Board

Provides a power for the Department to give directions (either general or specific) to the SBNI as to how the SBNI should carry out its functions. The Department is also required to consult with the SBNI before issuing directions. The section also provides for the Department to give directions without consulting in cases where the urgency of the matter necessitates it but requires the Department, in cases where the duty to consult has been set aside because of the urgency of the matter, to report retrospectively to the SBNI with reasons for taking this course of action.