

*These notes refer to the Reservoirs Act (Northern Ireland)  
2015 (c.8) which received Royal Assent on 24 July 2015*

# Reservoirs Act (Northern Ireland) 2015

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 6 – Civil enforcement, emergency powers and further offences**

##### ***Section 86 – Variable monetary penalties***

Subsection (1) enables the Department to make provision in regulations for imposing variable monetary penalties in relation to offences committed under the Act. Subsection (2) requires the Department to consult in accordance with section 90 prior to making regulations. Variable monetary penalties would be set at levels determined by the Department, but in each case would not exceed the maximum fine for the offence. Subsection (4) specifies the conditions relating to the imposition of variable monetary penalties to be included in any regulations made under subsection (1).