

2016 CHAPTER 14

PART 1

THE LEGAL SERVICES OVERSIGHT COMMISSIONER FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

The levy: supplementary provisions

- **6.**—(1) In this section—
 - "the levy" means the levy payable by virtue of section 5;
 - "the levy regulations" means the regulations made in accordance with that section.
- (2) The levy is to be payable at such rate and at such times as may be specified in the levy regulations.
- (3) Any amount which is owed to the Commissioner in accordance with the levy regulations may be recovered as a debt due to the Commissioner.
 - (4) The levy regulations must include provisions requiring the Department—
 - (a) to calculate the amount of the levy payable by each professional body;
 - (b) to consult each professional body on the amount of the levy payable by that body;
 - (c) to notify each professional body of its liability to pay an amount of levy and the time or times at which it becomes payable.
 - (5) Without prejudice to subsections (2) to (4), the levy regulations may—
 - (a) make provision about the collection and recovery of the levy;
 - (b) make provision about the circumstances in which any amount of the levy payable may be waived;

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(c) provide that if the whole or any part of an amount of the levy payable under the levy regulations is not paid by the time when it is required to be paid under the regulations, the unpaid balance carries interest at the rate determined by or in accordance with the levy regulations.