These notes refer to the Public Services Ombudsman Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c.4) which received Royal Assent on 19 February 2016

# Public Services Ombudsman Act (Northern Ireland) 2016

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON CLAUSES**

# **Part 2: Investigations**

### Section 7: Acting on behalf of a person aggrieved

Other people can act on behalf of the person aggrieved (for example where the person aggrieved has authorised this, or the person aggrieved cannot act). There is a broad range of people who can act on behalf of a person aggrieved:

- MLAs
- Personal representatives
- Family members
- Others

In some cases, the NIPSO will need to first confirm that the person is suitable to act on behalf of the person aggrieved.