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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1995 No. 755**

**The Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995**

**PART XII**

**EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN**

*General*

**Regulations with respect to the employment of children**

**136.**—(1) The Department may, with the approval of the Department of Education, make regulations with respect to the employment of children and any such regulations may contain provisions—

- (a) authorising the employment of children (notwithstanding anything in paragraph (1)(b) of Article 135) for not more than one hour before the commencement of school hours on any day on which they are required to attend school;
- (b) specifying the occupations in which children may or may not be employed;
- (c) prescribing—
  - (i) the age below which children are not to be employed;
  - (ii) the number of hours in each day, or in each week, for which, and the times of day at which, they may be employed;
  - (iii) the intervals to be allowed to them for meals and rest;
  - (iv) the holidays or half-holidays to be allowed to them;
  - (v) any other conditions to be observed in relation to their employment.

(2) Except in so far as is expressly permitted by paragraph (1)(a) and (c)(i), regulations under this Article shall not modify the restrictions contained in Article 135, and any restrictions contained in regulations under this Article shall have effect in addition to the restrictions contained in that Article.

(3) Nothing in Article 135 or in regulations under this Article shall prevent a child from taking part in a performance—

- (a) under the authority of a licence granted under this Part; or
- (b) in a case where by virtue of paragraph (3) of Article 137 no licence under that Article is required for him to take part in the performance.