### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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### The Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 2003

### PART IV

## MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS CHAPTER III

### AMENDMENTS OF THE ORDER OF 1983

#### House sales by registered housing associations

131. After Article 3 of the Order of 1983 (house sales scheme) there shall be inserted—

#### "House sales by registered housing associations

**3A.**—(1) The Department shall make a scheme for registered housing associations to offer for sale or lease to their secure tenants, the dwelling-houses occupied by those tenants.

(2) A scheme made under paragraph (1) may contain such provision as the Department considers appropriate and, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, shall include provision with respect to the matters mentioned in sub-paragraphs (a) to (f) of Article 3(2).

(3) A scheme made under paragraph (1) may include provision for registered housing associations to offer, in such circumstances as the scheme may provide, to grant equity-sharing leases in relation to dwelling-houses to which the scheme applies.

(4) Registered housing associations shall comply with a scheme made under paragraph (1).

(5) The Department may at any time amend a scheme made under paragraph (1) or a scheme replacing any such scheme; and paragraphs (2) to (4) shall have effect in relation to an amended scheme or a scheme replacing an existing scheme as they have effect in relation to a scheme."