### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# The Private Tenancies (Northern Ireland) Order 2006

### **PART IV**

### CERTIFICATES OF FITNESS AND RENT CONTROL

### CHAPTER II

### **CERTIFICATES OF FITNESS**

### **Cessation of certificate of fitness**

- **38.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), a certificate of fitness ceases to have effect if—
  - (a) a relevant notice is served in respect of a house which is or includes the dwelling-house in relation to which the relevant notice was issued, and
  - (b) the period within which an appeal may be brought against the relevant notice has expired.
- (2) Where an appeal is brought against a relevant notice, the certificate of fitness-
  - (a) shall not cease to have effect until after the final determination of the appeal, and
  - (b) shall cease to have effect then only if the relevant notice is confirmed.
- (3) In this Article, "relevant notice" means a notice under-
  - (a) Article 18 (notice of unfitness);
  - (b) Article 36(5) (notice of refusal); or
  - (c) Article 41 of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (NI 3) (repair notice).
- (4) A certificate of fitness does not cease to have effect because of the termination of the tenancy of the dwelling-house in respect of which the certificate of fitness was issued.