EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Betting, Gaming, Lotteries and Amusements (Northern Ireland) Order 1985—

- (a) to enable on-course betting to take place on Sunday and to provide for the rights of betting workers in relation to Sunday working;
- (b) to transfer the grant of bookmaking office licences from courts of summary jurisdiction to county courts;
- (c) to relax the restrictions on licensed bookmaking offices;
- (d) to allow on-course bookmakers to take bets on any event and have permanent structures for bookmaking on licensed tracks and to allow track occupiers certain bookmaking interests on their own tracks;
- (e) to reduce the waiting period for non-sporting clubs seeking registration to one year;
- (f) to allow gaming machines in licensed bookmaking offices and to relax the restrictions on gaming machines in other premises;
- (g) to provide for the grant of a new amusement permit which permits a cash-only machine which gives maximum prizes of £25 in premises to which children have restricted access;
- (h) to allow advertising of bingo; and
- (i) to make other minor amendments to that Order.