DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2005 No. (N.I. )

# NORTHERN IRELAND

The Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 2005

Made - - - 2005 Coming into operation in accordance with Article 1(2) to (4)

# ARRANGEMENT OF ORDER

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- 2. Interpretation

#### PART

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- 4. Execution of instruments by liquidator
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#### FAMILY HOMES AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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- 12. "Cohabitees" to include same-sex couples
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- 16. Abolition of presumption of advancement
- 17. Abolition of common law duty to maintain
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- 20. Repeal of the Trading Stamps Act (Northern Ireland) 1965
- 21. Amendment of legislation to make provision for trading stamps
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- 23. Amendment of the Damages Act 1996
- 24. Repeals Signature

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Explanatory Note