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CONSTRUCTION OF REFERENCES IN EXISTING LAWS

Office-holders and Ministers

- 8 (1) A reference to—
- (a) the Governor of Northern Ireland;
 - (b) the Governor of Northern Ireland in Council; or
 - (c) the making of an Order in Council by the Governor of Northern Ireland,
- shall be construed as a reference to the Secretary of State or, as the case may be, the making of an order by the Secretary of State.
- (2) This paragraph applies to enactments and instruments passed or made before 1st January 1974.
- 9 (1) A reference to—
- (a) the Prime Minister of Northern Ireland; or
 - (b) the chief executive member,
- shall be construed as a reference to the First Minister and deputy First Minister acting jointly.
- (2) References to Northern Ireland executive authorities shall be construed as references to Ministers and the Northern Ireland departments.
- (3) A reference to—
- (a) the Executive Committee for Northern Ireland; or
 - (b) the Northern Ireland Executive,
- shall be construed as a reference to the Executive Committee established by section 20.
- (4) This paragraph applies to enactments and instruments passed or made before the appointed day.
- 10 (1) A reference to—
- (a) a particular Ministry of Northern Ireland; or
 - (b) the Minister in charge of a particular Ministry,
- shall, in relation to a function, be construed as a reference to the Northern Ireland department which exercises that function or to the Northern Ireland Minister in charge of that department.
- (2) A reference to an unspecified Ministry shall be construed as a reference to a Northern Ireland department.
- (3) This paragraph applies to enactments and instruments passed or made before 1st January 1974.

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- 11 (1) A reference to—
- (a) an unspecified Minister of Northern Ireland; or
 - (b) the head of a Northern Ireland department,
- shall be construed as a reference to a Northern Ireland Minister.
- (2) A reference to the head of a specified Northern Ireland department shall, in relation to a function, be construed as a reference to the Northern Ireland Minister in charge of the department which exercises that function.
- (3) In sub-paragraph (1) “Northern Ireland Minister” includes the First Minister and the deputy First Minister.
- (4) This paragraph applies to enactments and instruments passed or made before the appointed day.

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