



# Northern Ireland Act 1998

## 1998 CHAPTER 47

### PART VII

#### HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

##### *Equality of opportunity*

#### **73 The Equality Commission for Northern Ireland.**

- (1) There shall be a body corporate to be known as the Equality Commission for Northern Ireland.
- (2) The Commission shall consist of not less than 14 nor more than 20 Commissioners appointed by the Secretary of State.
- (3) The Secretary of State shall appoint—
  - (a) one Commissioner as Chief Commissioner; and
  - (b) at least one Commissioner as Deputy Chief Commissioner.
- (4) In making appointments under this section, the Secretary of State shall as far as practicable secure that the Commissioners, as a group, are representative of the community in Northern Ireland.
- (5) Schedule 8 (which makes supplementary provision about the Commission) shall have effect.

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#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C1** S. 73(5): transfer of certain functions (1.12.1999) by S.R. 1999/481, arts. 1, 4, **Sch. 2 Pt. I**

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#### **Commencement Information**

**I1** S. 73 partly in force; s. 73 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 101(3); s. 73 in force for specified purposes at 15.2.1999 by S.I. 1999/340, art. 2(2), **Sch. Pt. 2**; s. 73(1) in force for further specified

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purposes and s. 73(2)-(5) in force at 2.8.1999 and s. 73(1) in force for further specified purposes at 1.10.1999 by [S.I. 1999/2204](#), [arts. 2, 3](#)

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