

*These notes refer to the Justice (Northern Ireland) Act  
2002 (c.26) which received Royal Assent on 24th July 2002*

# JUSTICE (NORTHERN IRELAND) ACT 2002

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY

#### *Schedule 9: Law Commission*

190. *Paragraph 1(4)* sets out the grounds for dismissal of a Commissioner by the Secretary of State, which include a conviction for a criminal offence and bankruptcy. *Paragraph 2* provides for a person holding judicial office to be appointed as a Commissioner without relinquishing that office. Except for a person holding full-time judicial office, *paragraph 3* makes provision for payment to Commissioners of remuneration, allowances and sums for the provision of pensions.
191. *Paragraph 4* requires the Secretary of State to approve the Commission's staffing complement, their salary and terms of employment. It enables the Commission to perform its functions by arranging to engage the assistance of members of the Civil Service and the Northern Ireland Court Service. *Paragraphs 4(3)* and *4(4)* deal with superannuation provisions for staff in the employ of the Commission.
192. *Paragraph 5* enables the Secretary of State to make grants to the Commission. *Paragraph 6* sets out requirements on the Commission in terms of financial accountability.