*These notes refer to the Northern Ireland (St Andrews Agreement) Act 2006 (c.53) which received Royal Assent on 22 November 2006* 

# NORTHERN IRELAND (ST ANDREWS AGREEMENT) ACT 2006

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

### Part 2: Amendments of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 Etc

#### Miscellaneous

#### Section 14: Power of Executive Committee to call for witnesses and documents

77. Section 14 inserts a new section 28C into the 1998 Act to give the Executive Committee the power to call for witnesses and documents. The section applies the provisions of section 44 of the 1998 Act (which provides the Assembly and its Committees with the power to compel witnesses and documents) to the Executive Committee with certain modifications. The power is exercisable in relation to senior civil servants working in Northern Ireland Departments where a matter falls within the Executive's functions under section 20(3) and (4) of the 1998 Act.