



Northern Ireland (Ministerial Appointments and Regional Rates) Act 2017

2017 CHAPTER 24

2 Regional rates

- (1) This section applies in respect of the year ending 31 March 2018.
- (2) The regional rate to be levied on the rateable net annual values of hereditaments is 32.92 pence in the pound.
- (3) The regional rate to be levied on the rateable capital values of hereditaments is 0.4177 pence in the pound.
- (4) A rate specified under subsection (2) or (3) may be varied by an order made by the Department under Article 7(1) of the Rates Order.
- (5) An order made by virtue of subsection (4)—
 - (a) may be made only after the first occasion on which all the Ministerial offices are filled after 1 April 2017, but
 - (b) may set the rate in respect of the whole of the year for which it is made.
- (6) In this section—
 - “the Ministerial offices” means—
 - (a) the offices of First Minister and deputy First Minister, and
 - (b) the Ministerial offices to be held by Northern Ireland Ministers (within the meaning of the Northern Ireland Act 1998);
 - “the Rates Order” means the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 ([S.I. 1977/2157 \(N.I. 28\)](#));

and any expression used in this section and in the Rates Order has the meaning given by that Order.