
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Article 2 of this Order commences various provisions in Schedule 7 to the Act which amend the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Northern Ireland) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1351) (N.I. 11) for the purposes of making regulations under those provisions on 10th August 2012.

Article 3 of this Order commences the new offence of unlawfully immobilising vehicles on land, amendments to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (c. 27) and provisions to recover unpaid parking charges on 1st October 2012.

Article 4 of this Order commences amendments to the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (“RIPA”) on 1st November 2012.

Article 5 of this Order commences two new offences of stalking and associated powers of entry on 25th November 2012.

Article 6 of this Order provides that the commencement of the amendments to RIPA only has effect in relation to authorisations that are granted or renewed, and notices that are given, under the relevant provisions of RIPA on or after 1st November 2012.