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**2014 No. 831 (C. 35)**

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The Protection of Freedoms Act 2012  
(Commencement No. 3) (Amendment) Order 2014

*Made* - - - - 24th March 2014  
*Coming into force* - - 31st March 2014

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 116(1) of the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012(1), makes the following Order.

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (Commencement No. 3) (Amendment) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 31st March 2014.

**Amendment to the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (Commencement No. 3) Order 2012**

2.—(1) The Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (Commencement No. 3) Order 2012(2) is amended as follows.

(2) In article 13, for “31st March 2014” substitute “31st December 2015”.

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(1) [2012 c. 9](#).  
(2) [S.I. 2012/2234](#). Relevant amendments have been made by [S.I. 2012/3006](#).

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24th March 2014

*Taylor of Holbeach*  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State  
Home Office

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order amends the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 (Commencement No. 3) Order 2012 (“the 2012 Order”) which enables the Department of Justice in Northern Ireland to pass information to the Disclosure and Barring Service (“DBS”), in order for the DBS to consider whether the test for barring an individual from working with children or adults under the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Northern Ireland) Order 2007 is met, until such time as there is permanent statutory provision for this arrangement. It was expected that such statutory provision would be in the Fairer Faster Justice Bill to be introduced in the Northern Ireland Assembly in early 2013. However, due to other legislative demands that Bill was not introduced. It is expected that it will now be introduced in April 2014.