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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2003 No. 418**

**The Audit and Accountability (Northern Ireland) Order 2003**

*[<sup>F1</sup>Data matching*

**[<sup>F1</sup>Powers of the Department**

- 4H.**—(1) The Department may by order amend Articles 4A to 4G—
- (a) to add any purpose mentioned in paragraph (2) to the purposes for which data matching exercises may be conducted;
  - (b) to modify the application of those Articles in relation to a purpose so added.
- (2) The purposes which may be added are—
- (a) to assist in the prevention and detection of crime (other than fraud);
  - (b) to assist in the apprehension and prosecution of offenders;
  - (c) to assist in the recovery of debt owing to public bodies.
- (3) The Department may by order amend Articles 4A to 4G—
- (a) to add a public body to the list of bodies in Article 4B(2);
  - (b) to modify the application of those Articles in relation to a body so added;
  - (c) to remove a body from that list.
- (4) An order under this Article may include such incidental, consequential, supplemental or transitional provision as the Department thinks fit.
- (5) An order under this Article is subject to affirmative resolution.
- (6) In this Article “public body” means a body or person whose functions—
- (a) are functions of a public nature; or
  - (b) include functions of that nature,
- but, in the latter case, the body or person is a public body to the extent only of those functions.]

**F1** Arts. 4A-4H and preceding cross-heading inserted (1.3.2008 for preceding cross-heading and Art. 4G(1)(3)(4) otherwise 6.4.2008) by *Serious Crime Act 2007* (c. 27), ss. 73, 94(1), **Sch. 7 para. 6**; S.I. 2008/219, **art. 3(j)**; S.I. 2008/755, **art. 16(a)**

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Audit and Accountability (Northern Ireland) Order 2003, Section 4H.