

These notes refer to the Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c.26) which received Royal Assent on 12 May 2016

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

OVERVIEW

14. The Act has 21 sections and 2 schedules and is split into 5 parts:-

Sale or use of nicotine products and tobacco – consists of 7 sections and provides for regulations to be made prohibiting the sale of nicotine products both to under 18s and from vending machines. It provides, through schedule 1, for amendments to be made to the Tobacco Retailers Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 and, separately, for an amendment to the Children and Young Persons (Protection from Tobacco) (Northern Ireland) Order 1991. It also contains a provision to prohibit the use of nicotine products or tobacco in enclosed vehicles when a person under 18 is in the vehicle. It also makes provision for interpretation of Part 1 of the Act.

Levy on sugar sweetened drinks – consists of 1 section and provides for a study to be carried out in relation to a levy on sugar sweetened drinks.

Miscellaneous provisions – consists of 6 sections to amend the 2008 Act provisions in respect of primary dental services, general ophthalmic services, pharmaceutical services and charges for services provided to persons not ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland.

Human transplantation – consists of 2 clauses and contains provisions to promote, provide information about and increase awareness on human transplantation

General – consists of 5 sections and makes provision in respect of interpretation of the Act, subordinate legislation and repeals, and sets out the title and commencement dates.