
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1987 No. 463 (N.I. 7)

NORTHERN IRELAND

The Public Order (Northern Ireland) Order 1987

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THE PUBLIC ORDER (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1987

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Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).

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SCHEDULES

1 — AMENDMENTS

The Conspiracy and Protection of Property Act 1875 (c. 86)

1. In section 7 for the words from “shall” to the...

The Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962 (c. 14 (N.I.))

2. In paragraph 13(1) of Schedule 9 for the words “Article...

The Criminal Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland) 1968 (c. 28 (N.I.))

3. In section 9(1) for the words from the beginning to...

The Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 (c. 9 (N.I.))

4. In paragraph 15(2) of Schedule 1 for the words from...

The Cable and Broadcasting Act 1984 (c. 36)

5. At the end of section 28 add the following subsection—...

The Public Order Act 1986 (c. 64)

6. In section 42(3) for the words “section 43 and paragraph...

2 — REPEALS

Explanatory Note