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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 1772**

**The Further Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1997**

*Conduct of institutions of further education*

**Regulations as to carrying on of institutions of further education**

17.—(1) The Department may by regulations make provision as to the carrying on of institutions of further education.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), regulations under that paragraph may include provision—

- (a) preventing the use of the premises or equipment of such institutions for such purposes as may be prescribed;
- (b) with respect to the keeping, disclosure and transfer of educational records about students at such institutions and the supply of copies of such records to such persons, and in such circumstances, as may be determined by or under the regulations.

(3) Regulations made under paragraph (1) by virtue of paragraph (2)(b) may authorise persons who in pursuance of the regulations supply copies of any such records as are there mentioned to charge such fee as they think fit (not exceeding the cost of supply) in respect of each copy so supplied.

(4) Regulations under paragraph (1) may enable the Department or a prescribed body or person to authorise such exceptions, grant such approvals and make such determinations for the purposes of the regulations as are specified therein.

**Efficiency reviews**

18.—(1) The Department may arrange for the carrying out (whether as part of an inspection under Article 102 of the 1986 Order or otherwise) by any person of studies designed to improve economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the management or operation of an institution of further education.

(2) The Department may give directions under Article 101 of the 1986 Order for the purpose of remedying any matter referred to, or implementing any recommendation contained, in a report of any studies carried out under paragraph (1).