

**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

**PRISON (AMENDMENT) (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2004**

**PURPOSE**

**THE MAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ORDER**

**Title, Commencement and Interpretation**

**Membership of board of visitors for prison**

**Detention in the custody of a constable where admission to prison not practicable**

**Testing prisoners for alcohol and drugs**

**Repeal of section 40 of the Prison Act (NI) 1953**

**COMPARISONS WITH GREAT BRITAIN**

**COMMENCEMENT**