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**The Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups
(Northern Ireland) Order 2007**

Restrictions on participating in regulated activity

Educational establishments: check on members of governing body

17.—(1) The appropriate officer (P) commits an offence if he fails in the prescribed period to make a check in accordance with Article 19 relating to any person (B) who is appointed to the governing body of an educational establishment mentioned in Article 12(5).

(2) A person guilty of an offence under paragraph (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

(3) A person does not commit an offence under paragraph (1) if, in relation to any continuous period for which B is a member of the governing body of the establishment—

- (a) the appointment first took effect before the commencement of this Article, and
- (b) it continues to have effect after such commencement.

(4) Paragraph (3) does not apply in respect of an appointment which continues to have effect after such date as the Secretary of State specifies by order.

(5) An appropriate officer is such person as is prescribed.