



Northern Ireland Act 1998

1998 CHAPTER 47

PART II

LEGISLATIVE POWERS

General

7 Entrenched enactments.

- (1) Subject to [^{F1}subsections (2A) and (2B)], the following enactments shall not be modified by an Act of the Assembly or subordinate legislation made, confirmed or approved by a Minister or Northern Ireland department—
- (a) the ^{M1}European Communities Act 1972;
 - (b) the ^{M2}Human Rights Act 1998; ^{F2}...
 - (c) section 43(1) to (6) and (8), section 67, sections 84 to [^{F3}86B], section 95(3) and (4) and section 98 ^{F4}[^{F5}....
 - ^{F5}(d) section 1 and section 84 of the Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002.][^{F6}; and
 - (e) the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018]
- (2) Subsection (1) does not prevent an Act of the Assembly or subordinate legislation modifying section 3(3) or (4) or 11(1) of the European Communities Act 1972.
- [^{F7}(2A) Subsection (1) does not prevent an Act of the Assembly or subordinate legislation modifying—
- [any excluded provision of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018,] or
 - ^{F8}(ba) any regulations made under that Act.]
- [^{F9}(2B) For the purposes of subsection (2A)(ba), the following are excluded provisions of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018—
- (a) section 1B(3) and (4),
 - (b) sections 8A to 8C,
 - (c) section 10(3) and (4),

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- (d) sections 13A and 13B,
- (e) sections 15A to 15C,
- (f) Parts 1A to 1C of Schedule 2,
- (g) paragraphs 1(11) and (12), 2(12) and (13) and 8A to 8G of Schedule 7, and
- (h) paragraph 21 of Schedule 8.]

(3) In this Act “Minister”, unless the context otherwise requires, means the First Minister, the deputy First Minister or a Northern Ireland Minister.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 7(1) substituted (23.1.2020) by virtue of [European Union \(Withdrawal Agreement\) Act 2020 \(c. 1\)](#), s. 42(6)(e)(vi), [Sch. 5 para. 24\(2\)](#) (with s. 38(3))
- F2** Word in s. 7(1) repealed (12.4.2010) by [Justice \(Northern Ireland\) Act 2002 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 87(1), [Sch. 13](#); [S.R. 2010/113](#), art. 2, [Sch. para. 21\(r\)](#)
- F3** Word in s. 7(1)(c) substituted (11.3.2009) by [Northern Ireland \(Miscellaneous Provisions\) Act 2006 \(c. 33\)](#), ss. 30(1), 31, [Sch. 4 para. 10](#); [S.I. 2009/448](#), art. 2
- F4** Word in s. 7(1)(c) omitted (26.6.2018) by virtue of [European Union \(Withdrawal\) Act 2018 \(c. 16\)](#), s. 25(1)(b), [Sch. 3 para. 51\(2\)\(c\)](#) (with s. 19, [Sch. 8 para. 37](#))
- F5** S. 7(1)(d) and word inserted (16.4.2007) by [2002 c. 26](#), ss. 84(1), 87(1); [S.R. 2007/237](#), art. 2, [Sch. 2](#), [Sch. 3 para. 51\(2\)\(d\)](#) (with s. 19, [Sch. 8 para. 37](#))
- F6** S. 7(1)(e) and word inserted (26.6.2018) by [European Union \(Withdrawal\) Act 2018 \(c. 16\)](#), s. 25(1)(b), [Sch. 3 para. 51\(2\)\(d\)](#) (with s. 19, [Sch. 8 para. 37](#))
- F7** S. 7(2A) inserted (26.6.2018) by [European Union \(Withdrawal\) Act 2018 \(c. 16\)](#), s. 25(1)(b), [Sch. 3 para. 51\(4\)](#) (with s. 19, [Sch. 8 para. 37](#))
- F8** S. 7(2A)(ba) substituted for s. 7(2A)(a)(b) (23.1.2020) by [European Union \(Withdrawal Agreement\) Act 2020 \(c. 1\)](#), s. 42(6)(e)(vi), [Sch. 5 para. 24\(3\)](#) (with s. 38(3))
- F9** S. 7(2B) inserted (23.1.2020) by [European Union \(Withdrawal Agreement\) Act 2020 \(c. 1\)](#), s. 42(6)(e)(vi), [Sch. 5 para. 24\(4\)](#) (with s. 38(3))

Marginal Citations

- M1** 1972 c.68.
- M2** 1988 c.42.

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