

# Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014

## **2014 CHAPTER 13**

## Final provisions

### 28 Commencement

- (1) The following provisions come into force on the day on which this Act is passed—
  - (a) in section 1 (donations for political purposes)—
    - (i) subsections (1) and (2), and
    - (ii) subsection (3) for the purpose of prescribing requirements;
  - (b) in section 2 (loans etc for political purposes)—
    - (i) subsection (1),
    - (ii) subsection (2) for the purpose of prescribing requirements, and
    - (iii) subsection (3);
  - (c) section 7 (extension of term of Assembly);
  - (d) section 19 (Chief Electoral Officer: performance standards etc);
  - (e) section 20 (data sharing) (but see subsection (2) below);
  - (f) section 22 (equality duties);
  - (g) section 23 (extension of powers to make secondary legislation about elections etc);
  - (h) section 24 (regulation of biometric data) (but see subsection (3) below);
  - (i) sections 26 to 29 (final provisions).
- (2) If paragraph 10 of Schedule 4 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (which restricts to Northern Ireland the application of section 10A of the Representation of the People Act 1983) comes into force on a day after that on which this Act is passed, subsection (2)(c)(i) of section 20 comes into force immediately after that paragraph comes into force.

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- (3) If paragraph 8(1) of Schedule 1 to the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 comes into force on a day after that on which this Act is passed, section 24 comes into force immediately after that paragraph comes into force.
- (4) The following provisions come into force at the end of the period of two months beginning with the day on which this Act is passed—

section 6 (reduction in size of the Assembly to be reserved matter);

section 10 (Civil Service Commissioners for Northern Ireland);

section 11 (Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission);

section 12 (district electoral areas for council elections);

section 13 (removal of requirement that canvass form must be prescribed form); section 17 (electoral identity cards);

section 18 (Chief Electoral Officer: duty to take necessary steps) (but see subsection (5) below);

section 21 and the Schedule (rules of court);

section 25 (amendment of Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975).

- (5) If paragraph 6 of Schedule 4 to the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013 (which amends section 9A of the Representation of the People Act 1983) comes into force on a day after the end of the period mentioned in subsection (4), section 18(3) comes into force immediately after that paragraph comes into force.
- (6) The following provisions come into force on the first day after this Act is passed on which the Northern Ireland Assembly is dissolved—

section 3 (MPs to be disqualified for membership of Assembly);

section 4 (members of the Dàil Èireann to be disqualified for membership of the Assembly);

section 5 (statements by prospective members of Assembly).

- (7) Subject to the preceding subsections of this section, this Act comes into force on such day as the Secretary of State may appoint by order made by statutory instrument.
- (8) An order under subsection (7)—
  - (a) may appoint different days for different purposes, and
  - (b) may make transitional, transitory or saving provision.

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