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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2023 No. 566**

**The Identity and Language (Northern Ireland)  
Act 2022 (Commencement) Regulations 2023**

**Provisions coming into force on 22nd May 2023**

2. The following provisions of the 2022 Act come into force on 22nd May 2023—
  - (a) section 1(1) (National and cultural identity) for the purpose of inserting section 78G (The Office of Identity and Cultural Expression) into the 1998 Act;
  - (b) section 1(2) (National and cultural identity) and Schedule 1 (The Office of Identity and Cultural Expression);
  - (c) section 2(1) (Irish language) for the purpose of inserting section 78K (The Irish Language Commissioner) into the 1998 Act;
  - (d) section 2(2) (Irish language) and Schedule 2 (The Irish Language Commissioner);
  - (e) section 3(1) (The Ulster Scots and the Ulster British tradition) for the purpose of inserting section 78R (The Commissioner) into the 1998 Act;
  - (f) section 3(2) (The Ulster Scots and the Ulster British Tradition) and Schedule 3 (Commissioner for the Ulster Scots and the Ulster British Tradition);
  - (g) section 6 (Concurrent powers and powers of direction); and
  - (h) section 7 (Concurrent powers and powers of direction: supplementary provision).