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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

Section 6 of the Northern Ireland (Executive Formation etc) Act 2022 provides for appointment functions of Northern Ireland Ministers, in respect of a list of specified offices, to be exercised by a Minister of the Crown during the current period in which there is no Executive in Northern Ireland. Section 6 also permits further offices to be added to the list of specified offices by regulations.

These Regulations specify further offices for the purposes of section 6. The effect of this is that the relevant Minister of the Crown may exercise the appointment functions of Northern Ireland Ministers in relation to those offices.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private or voluntary sector or community bodies is foreseen.