### **Examiner of Statutory Rules**

# Report of the Examiner of Statutory Rules to the Assembly and the Appropriate Committees

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Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development	S.R. 2011 No. 315
Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure	S.R. 2011 Nos. 324, 325
Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment	S.R. 2011 Nos. 330, 331
Committee for the Environment	S.R. 2011 Nos. 326, 328, 329
Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety	S.R. 2011 No. 327
Committee for Regional Development	S.R. 2011 Nos. 336, 337, 340, 344, 345, 346

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- 1. In accordance with thedelegations in respect of the technical scrutiny of statutory rules under Standing Order 43(4)(b) given to the Examiner of Statutory Rules by the appropriate Committeeson 25, 26 and 31 May and 1 June 2011 for this mandate of the Assembly, I submit my report on the statutory rules listed in the Appendix.
- 2. My terms of reference are essentially set out in Standing Order 43(6) (taken with the delegations under Standing Order 43(4)(b)). They are as follows:
  - "(6) In scrutinising an instrument the appropriate Committee shall inter alia consider the instrument with a view to determining and reporting on whether it requires to be drawn to the special attention of the Assembly on any of the following grounds, namely, that
    - (a) it imposes a charge on the public revenues or prescribes the amount of any such charge;
    - (b) it contains provisions requiring any payment to be made to any Northern Ireland department or public body in respect of any approval, authorisation, licence or consent or of any service provided or to be provided by that department or body or prescribes the amount of any such payment;
    - (c) the parent legislation excludes it from challenge in the courts;
    - (d) it purports to have retrospective effect where the parent legislation confers no express authority so to provide;
    - (e) there appears to have been unjustifiable delay in the publication of it or in the laying of it before the Assembly;
    - (f) there appears to be a doubt whether it is intra vires or it appears to make some unusual or unexpected use of the powers conferred by the parent legislation;
    - (g) it calls for elucidation;
    - (h) it appears to have defects in its drafting;

or on any other ground which does not impinge on its merits or the policy behind it.".

## Statutory rules to which attention is drawn in this report

3. I do not draw attention to any of the statutory rules listed in the Appendix to this report.

W G Nabney
Examiner of Statutory Rules

7 October 2011

# **Appendix**

(The attention of the appropriate Committees and the Assembly is drawn to those statutory rules marked in bold)

### Statutory rules subject to negative resolution

Poultrymeat Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/315)

Fisheries (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/324)

Eel Fishing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/325)

Local Government (Capital Finance and Accounting) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/326)

The Health and Personal Social Services (General Medical Services Contracts) (Prescription of Drugs Etc.) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/327)

The Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment No.3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/328)

The Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment No.3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/329)

The Price Marking (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/330)

The Weights and Measures (Packaged Goods) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/331)

The Route F1361 Hawthorn Walk (Footpath), Highfield Heights, Craigavon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/336)

The Orchard Drive, Portadown (Footway) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/337)

The Trunk Road T10 (Shannaragh Realignment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/340)

The Hanover Glen, Bangor (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/344)

The Former Road (including footpath) at Westlink, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland)  $2011(S.R.\ 2011/345)$ 

The Ballyblaugh Road, Newry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011 (S.R. 2011/346)



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