



Northern Ireland
Assembly

Addressing Bullying in Schools Bill
Notice of Amendments tabled on
16 February 2016 for Consideration Stage

Clause 1, Page 1, Line 2

Leave out from beginning to end of line 8 and insert -

‘. In this Act “bullying” includes (but is not limited to) the repeated use of—

- (a) any verbal, written or electronic communication,
- (b) any other act, or
- (c) any combination of those,

by a pupil or a group of pupils against another pupil or group of pupils, with the intention of causing physical or emotional harm to that pupil or group of pupils.’

Minister of Education

Clause 2, Page 1, Line 12

Leave out from ‘among pupils registered’ and insert ‘involving a registered pupil’

Minister of Education

Clause 2, Page 1, Line 16

Leave out ‘registered pupils’ and insert ‘a registered pupil’

Minister of Education

Clause 2, Page 1, Line 20

At end insert -

‘or

- (iv) while the pupil is receiving educational provision arranged on behalf of the school and provided elsewhere than on the premises of the school.’

Minister of Education

Clause 2, Page 2, Line 16

At end insert -

‘(1A) The Board of Governors of a grant-aided school may, to such extent as it thinks reasonable, consider measures to be taken at the school (whether by the Board of Governors, the staff of the school or other persons) with a view to preventing bullying involving a registered pupil at the school which—

- (a) involves the use of electronic communication;
- (b) takes place in circumstances other than those listed in subsection (1)(b); and
- (c) is likely to have a detrimental effect on that pupil’s education at the school.’

Minister of Education

Clause 3, Page 2, Line 26

Leave out ‘or alleged incidents of’ and insert ‘of bullying or alleged’

Minister of Education

Clause 3, Page 2, Line 31

At end insert -

‘or

- (d) while the pupil is receiving educational provision arranged on behalf of the school and provided elsewhere than on the premises of the school.’

Minister of Education

Clause 3, Page 2, Line 36

Leave out from ‘may’ to end of line 4 on page 3 and insert -

‘may, for example, relate to—

- (a) differences of religious belief, political opinion, racial group, age, sex, sexual orientation or marital status;
- (b) differences between persons with a disability and persons without;
- (c) differences between persons with dependants and persons without;
- (d) differences between persons based on gender reassignment;
- (e) differences between persons based on pregnancy.’

Minister of Education

Clause 3, Page 3, Line 9

Leave out subsection (5)

Minister of Education