

**Examiner of Statutory Rules**

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

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1. In accordance with the delegations 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 Committees on 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

The Foyle Area (Greenbraes Fishery Angling Permits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/95)

3. **I draw the attention of the Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development and the Assembly to the Foyle Area (Greenbraes Fishery Angling Permits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/95) on the ground that the Regulations were laid in breach (marginally) of the 21-day rule (the well-established rule of practice whereby a rule-making authority should, in the case of a statutory rule that is subject to negative resolution, allow at least 21 days between its making and its coming into operation), explained by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.** In this case the Regulations were made on 1 March 2012 to come into operation on 26 March 2012; they were laid on 7 March 2012. The Regulations were made at the earliest date possible, given the need for North South Ministerial Council approval, and the Loughs Agency need to have them in place by 26 March 2012. The timing seems reasonable. I simply make the observation that had the Regulations been laid on 2 March 2012, then there would have been no breach of the 21-day rule; but it is clear that would have been rather tight timing, so that the explanation seems to be reasonable in the circumstances.

**The Fair Employment (Specification of Public Authorities) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/96)**

4. **I draw the attention of the Committee for the Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister and the Assembly to the Fair Employment (Specification of Public Authorities) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/96) on the ground that there appears to be inconsistency of approach adopted as between public bodies of a similar nature.** The Schedule the Order sets out a new Schedule to the Fair Employment (Specification of Public Bodies) Order (Northern Ireland) 2004. That Schedule is updated from time to time by means of an amending Order Such as this. The Schedule is divided in two parts. Part 1 specifies bodies for the purposes of Articles 52 to 65 of the Fair Employment and Treatment (Northern Ireland) Order 1998, and that Part generally contains public bodies at a remove from government. Part 2 generally contains government bodies or bodies closer to government for the purposes of Article 62 to 65. Part 2 specifically includes “any Northern Ireland department” so I queried the reference to the Northern Ireland Courts and Tribunals Service (which is an agency of the Department of Justice with no separate legal personality) in Part 1, and the Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister (“OFMdfM”) has acknowledged that this should be in Part 2, to which I would add that it seems to me that no separate entry is required. This point, will, I understand, be dealt with when the Order is reviewed and updated next year.
5. I also queried whether the Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland (to use the correct title of the office) should be in Part 2 rather than Part 1: it seems that there are a number of questions regarding the precise status of the Director of Public Prosecutions, including the fact that the Director is a corporation sole, and the OFMdfM intends to review this matter for next year’s Order. On this, I would make the observation that the Chief Constable of the Police Service of Northern Ireland (also a corporation sole) and is listed in Part 2. I contrasted the fact that the Northern Ireland Legal Services Commission appeared in Part 1 and the Northern Ireland Judicial appointments Commission appeared in Part 2, whereas both seemed to be public bodies of a similar nature. And I questioned the relevance of the entry to the Lord Chancellor post- devolution of justice functions. These are all matters for OFMdfM’s review of the Schedule for the 2013.Order and I have no wish to stray into matters of policy; I am merely mentioning what appear to be inconsistencies in approach apparent on the face of the Order. In this context, I mention another body that might be considered in the review: it seems to me that the Food Standards Agency Northern Ireland (given its nature close to central government) might perhaps be better placed in Part 2; I observe that the Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland, which seems to be of a broadly similar nature, is placed in Part 2.

**The Valuation Tribunal (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/122)**

6. **I draw the attention of the Committee for Justice and the Assembly to the Valuation Tribunal (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/122) on the ground that one of its provisions (new rule 5A(1), inserted by rule 6, providing for a fee in respect of high hedge appeals) appears to have an element of unauthorised sub-delegation: either it is of doubtful vires or it is an unusual or unexpected exercise of the delegated power, and I incline towards the former. I understand that the Department of Justice, in light of my views (which I will set out briefly below), intends to bring forward an amendment as soon as possible, probably before the summer recess, simply prescribing a fee.**
7. The Department has powers under 7(7)(b) of the High Hedges Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 and paragraph 7 of, and Schedule 9B to, the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 to prescribe a fee in respect of the bringing of an appeal to the Valuation Tribunal. The Department has purported to exercise that power by providing that the fee is to be the fee

specified in the regulation 17(1) Planning (Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 as if it were an appeal to the Planning Appeals Commission under Article 127(2)(b) of the Planning (Northern Ireland) Order 1991: the power to prescribe the fee in respect of appeals to the Planning Appeals Commission is vested in another rule-making authority, namely, OFMdfM for the purposes (specifically) of another tribunal, the Planning Appeals Commission. It seems to me that that is contrary to the (legislative) intention of the Assembly in the High Hedges Act. That Act simply delegated the power to prescribe a fee to the Department of Justice, and in doing so the Department was required to set its mind to the fee in question in respect of fees payable to the Valuation Tribunal. Of course, in doing so, the Department could properly take account of comparable fees in respect of fees to the Planning Appeals Commission, and it could take into account the views of others with an interest (including perhaps the Department of the Environment and OFMdfM). But ultimately the decision (delegated by the Assembly in the High Hedges Act) on prescribing a fee is one for the Department of Justice and the Department of Justice alone. The well-worn maxim *delegatus non potest delegare* readily comes to mind: a delegate cannot delegate, except where the delegate has clear authority (generally, in this context of subordinate or delegated legislation, statutory authority in primary legislation) to do so. Subordinate legislation is of course a delegation of legislative power from the legislature in primary legislation to an executive rule-making authority.

8. In our exchanges the Department referred me to a passage in *Craies on Legislation* (contained in the 9th Edition (2008) at paragraph 3.5.1) in which the learned editor states that it may be difficult to know what amounts to sub-delegation. He cites the example of a rule-making authority in subordinate legislation fixing an interest rate at two per cent. above the Retail Prices Index (RPI) for a given period and concludes that that is not sub-delegation, principally on the ground that the RPI is determined wholly and without reference to the referential use made of it in the subordinate legislation concerned. It seems to me that that is wholly distinguishable from what the Department has done in new rule 5A(1), and I, with respect, would formulate the proposition slightly differently: the RPI is an objective and recognised measure made by a wholly independent body without reference to the purposes of **any** subordinate legislation; it is not, as in this case, a measure adopted by another rule-making authority for the purposes of its own subordinate legislation. The Department suggested that it had not denuded or divested itself of the power to set its own fee independently of the Planning Appeals Commission and that it could amend the rules at any time: that is of course the case, and it could not divest itself of the power under the provisions in question. But that to me does not fully cover the point that in this exercise of the power there was an element of sub-delegation without clear authority to sub-delegate.
9. In passing I cannot resist a comment on the drafting of the formulation in new rule 5A(1) (aside from the sub-delegation point). It seems to me that the drafting by reference to the Planning (Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 is rather strange. Those regulations are made by the Department of the Environment. But fees in respect of the Planning Appeals Commission are now made under powers vested in OFMdfM. So it is conceivable – and indeed probably desirable in the longer term – that there will eventually be two separate fee codes, one in respect of planning and one in respect of planning appeals. Accordingly, the precedent cited for this formula (regulation 19(8) of the Environmental Liability (Prevention and Remediation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009 (S.R. 2009/252)) may not be a good one, and the Department of the Environment and OFMdfM might perhaps wish to look further at that and any implications arising from it.

**The Teachers' Superannuation (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012  
(S.R. 2012/126)**

10. **I draw the attention of the Committee for Education and the Assembly to the Teachers' Superannuation (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/126) on the ground that the Regulations were laid in breach of the 21-day rule, explained by the**

**Department of Education.** The Regulations were made and laid on 16 March 2012, the proposed Regulations having been considered by the Committee on 14 March 2012, and they came into operation on 1 April 2012. Essentially the Regulations increased teachers' pension contributions. The Department had little or any room for manoeuvre on the timetable and the Department's explanation seems to be reasonable in the circumstances.

**The Criminal Aid Certificates Rules (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/135)**

11. **I draw the attention of the Committee for Justice and the Assembly to the Criminal Aid Certificates Rules (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/135) on the ground that they are defectively drafted in one respect, although one that does not affect the working of the Rules.**

12. Rule 4(8) is in the following terms:

“(8) Every application for a criminal aid certificate in respect of two counsel shall be made in writing, in such form as the Department may direct, specifying:

(a) the terms of the certificate sought and the grounds of the application; and, *where the charge is other than murder,*

(b) which of the conditions in paragraph (7) is relied upon in support of the certificate sought, and on what grounds it is contended that each such condition is fulfilled.”.

The last words in rule 4(8)(a) (which I have italicised) should, it seems to me, be the first words in rule 4(8)(b): they are plainly intended to be a pre-condition to what is in the rest of rule 4(8)(b); whereas, as drafted, they rather hang in isolation and do not make complete sense where they are placed. The Department has confirmed that the intention was to signal the pre-condition in rule 4(8)(b) but that the drafter of the rule quite deliberately took the view that they were better placed as a pre-condition before sub-paragraph (8)(b) rather than in sub-paragraph (8)(b) itself. With respect, I fail to see the drafter's point and it seems plain to me that the last words in sub-paragraph (8)(a) should be read as forming the opening words of rule 4(8)(b): that seems to be the logical and correct structure to give effect to what the Department intended.

13. In passing I mention two other points regarding the Rules.

14. First, I queried why there was no mention in the preamble/recital of powers to a consultation with the County Courts Rules Committee. The answer, in essence, was that there is no substantive change to the arrangements in respect of county courts, and that the Department concluded that it was not as a condition precedent to have a formal consultation with that Rules Committee as such: in relation to consultation “where appropriate” with the various Rules Committees in the context of Article 36(3) of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) 1981, the Department very helpfully referred me to relevant passages in the judgment of Girvan J (as he then was) in *Re John Vincent McCann's Application for Judicial Review* [2004] NIQB 47 at paragraphs 2, 11, 12, and 18. That satisfied me, and I take no point on that.

15. Second, I queried the drafting of a reference in rule 4(11) to the protection “of the assisted person's rights under the Human Rights Act 1998” suggesting that the reference should perhaps be (for consistency with the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and the Human Rights Act 1998) to the protection “of the Convention rights (within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 1998) of the assisted person”. The Department's view was that the reference was not strictly necessary to achieve the purpose but that the provision had been requested by others. So I take no further point on that, except to mention my observation.

**The Education (Student Loans) (Repayment) (Amendment) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/136)**

16. **I draw the attention of the Committee for Employment and Learning and the Assembly to the Education (Student Loans) (Repayment) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/136) on the ground that the Regulations were laid in breach of the 21-day rule, explained by the Department for Employment and Learning.** The Regulations were made on 21 March 2012, were laid on 22 March 2012 and came into operation on 6 April 2012. The Regulations had to come into operation on 6 April 2012 (the beginning of the tax year) because they are closely linked to HMRC and mirror changes in UK taxation legislation. The Regulations correspond closely to Regulations for Great Britain made by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills in SI 2012/836, and the Department only received the final version on those Regulations on 13 March 2012. I note too that the Regulations were laid less than a week after the Regulations for Great Britain were laid before Parliament. So the explanation seems to be reasonable.

**The Fuel Payments Scheme (Patients Receiving Treatment for Cancer) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/141)**

17. **I draw the attention of the Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety and the Assembly to the Fuel Payments Scheme (Patients Receiving Treatment for Cancer) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/141) on the grounds that they were laid in breach (marginally) of the 21-day rule, explained by the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety and that they did not conform to established legislative practice in one respect, acknowledged by the Department.**
18. The Regulations were made on 20 March 2012, were laid on 27 March 2012 and came into operation on 16 April 2012. The Department's explanation is that the Regulations had to be made by 20 March 2012 to meet the three-month time limit following the determination of the First Minister and deputy First Minister on 20 March 2011 (on which, see the next paragraph). On top of that it did not take into account the St Patrick's Day holiday. In the circumstances the Department's explanation seems to be reasonable, and the breach of the 21-day rule was marginal, but had it given itself a few more days it could perhaps have avoided the breach entirely.
19. The recital of powers/preamble recites the designation of Departments under section 1(3)(a) of the Financial Assistance Act (Northern Ireland) 2009. But it does not recite the condition precedent under section 1(1) of the Act, namely, the determination of the First Minister and deputy First Minister, also reciting the date of the determination, given that the regulation must be made within three months from the date of the determination (see section 1(2) of the Act). I commented on this point in the Twelfth Report of the Examiner of Statutory Rules for Session 2008/2009 (the first exercise of powers under the Financial Assistance Act) and I set out there what was intended to be a useful and helpful precedent for drafting the recital of powers/preamble for regulations under the Financial Assistance Act. I further commented on the same point in the First Report of the Examiner of Statutory Rules in this Session. In this case, the Department has acknowledged that it overlooked the point. I add, as I indicated previously, my view that this does not affect the validity of the Regulations, provided that the department concerned has made them within 3 months from the date of the determination.

**The Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Contributions) (Revocation) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/151)**

**The New Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Contributions) (Revocation) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/152)**

**The Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/161)**

**The New Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/162)**

20. **I draw the attention of the Committee for Health, Social Services and Public Safety and the Assembly to:**

- (a) **the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Contributions) (Revocation) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/151);**
- (b) **the New Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Contributions) (Revocation) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/152);**
- (c) **the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/161); and**
- (d) **the New Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/162)**

**on the ground that they were laid in breach the 21-day rule, explained by the Department.**

The Executive was committed to parity with the pension contribution payable by firefighters in England, where late negotiations (at the end of March 2012) had taken place. The result was that earlier statutory rules intended to come into operation on 1 April 2012 (S.R. 2012/71 and S.R. 2012/72) in respect of increased contributions were revoked (29 March 2012) and replaced by new statutory rules setting out lesser increases in contribution rates. This process was completed on 4 April 2012 with effect from 1 April 2012 (under a retrospective power in Article 10(4) of the Fire Services (Northern Ireland) 1984); the statutory rules were laid on 11 April 2012, after Easter. It is clear that in the circumstances the Department had little or no control over the timetable in respect of these later statutory rules, so that the explanation seems to be reasonable in the circumstances.

**The Housing Benefit (Executive Determinations) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/157)**

21. **I draw the attention of the Committee for Social Development and the Assembly to the Housing Benefit (Executive Determinations) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/157) on the ground that they were laid in breach of the 21-day rule, explained by the Department for Social Development.** The Regulations were made and laid on 30 March 2012 and came into operation on 2 April 2012. The Department's response was that there was a delay in bringing forward and making the Regulations because of a very heavy workload, but that no one has been disadvantaged because of the timing. This seems to be clear because the Regulations are put in place in order that baselines can be established from April 2012 for the purposes of setting future local housing allowances from 1 April 2013. The Department's explanation seems to be reasonable in the circumstances.

**W G Nabney**

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# Appendix

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

## **Statutory rule requiring the approval of the Assembly (confirmatory procedure)**

The Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (Levies) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/98)

The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/116)

The Pensions (2008 Act) (Abolition of Contracting-out for Defined Contribution Pension Schemes) (Consequential Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/120)

The Pensions (2008 No.2 Act) (Abolition of Protected Rights) (Consequential Provisions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/124)

The Jobseeker's Allowance (Domestic Violence) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/155)

## **Statutory rules subject to negative resolution**

The Road Traffic Offenders (Prescribed Devices) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/77)

The Health and Personal Social Services (Superannuation), Health and Social Care (Pension Scheme) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/78)

Police Service of Northern Ireland and Police Service of Northern Ireland Reserve (Injury Benefit) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/82)

The Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/86)

The Social Security Revaluation of Earnings Factors Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/87)

The Social Security Pensions (Low Earnings Threshold) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/88)

The Social Security Pensions (Flat Rate Accrual Amount) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/89)

The Sunbeds (Information) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/91)

The Sunbeds (Fixed Penalty) (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/93)

The Belfast International Airport (Control Over Land) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/94)

## **The Foyle Area (Greenbraes Fishery Angling Permits) Regulations 2012 (S.R. 2012/95)**

## **The Fair Employment (Specification of Public Authorities) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/96)**

The Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/97)

The Pension Protection Fund and Occupational Pension Schemes (Levy Ceiling and Compensation Cap) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/99)

The Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/100)

The Grange Lodge, Antrim (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/101)

The Shore Road and Northwood Parade, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/103)

The Loopland Court, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/104)

Rates (Small Business Hereditament Relief) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/106)

The Social Security (Claims and Payments) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/107)

The Social Security (Recovery) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/108)

The Social Security (Credits) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/109)

The Pensions (2005) Order (Disclosure of Restricted Information by the Pensions Regulator) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/110)

The Recovery of Health Services Charges (Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/111)

The Waste (Fees and Charges) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/112)

The Pensions (Institute and Faculty of Actuaries and Consultation by Employers) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/113)

The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/117)

The Social Security (Dependency) (Permitted Earnings Limits) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/118)

The Social Security (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/121)

**The Valuation Tribunal (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/122)**

The Occupational Pension Schemes (Contracting-out and Modification of Schemes) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/125)

**The Teachers' Superannuation (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/126)**

The College Avenue Belfast (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/129)

The Food Hygiene (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/130)

The Dogs (Licensing and Identification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/132)

The Plant Health (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/133)

**The Criminal Aid Certificates Rules (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/135)**

**The Education (Student Loans) (Repayment) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/136)**

The Code of Practice (Time Off for Trade Union Duties and Activities) (Appointed Day) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/138)

Registered Rents (Increase) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/139)

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The Social Security (Suspension of Payment of Benefits and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/140)

**The Fuel Payments Scheme (Patients Receiving Treatment for Cancer) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/141)**

The Road Traffic (Immobilisation, Removal and Disposal of Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/146)

The Motor Vehicles Testing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/148)

The Goods Vehicles (Testing) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/149)

The Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/150)

**The Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Contributions) (Revocation) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/151)**

**The New Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Contributions) (Revocation) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/152)**

**The Housing Benefit (Executive Determinations) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/157)**

The Zoonoses (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/158)

The Employment and Support Allowance (Amendment of Linking Rules) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/160)

**The Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/161)**

**The New Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/162)**

The Child Support (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012/163)



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