

## Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954

## **1954 CHAPTER 33**

CONSTRUCTION OF ENACTMENTS

## 31 Enactment always speaking.

- (1) Every enactment shall be construed as always speaking and if anything is expressed in the present tense it shall be applied to the circumstances as they occur, so that effect may be given to each enactment according to its true spirit, intent and meaning.
- (2) The expression "now", "next", "heretofore" or "hereafter" shall be construed as referring to the time when the enactment containing the expression came into force.

## Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954, Section 31.