



Northern Ireland (St Andrews Agreement) Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 53

PART 4

SUPPLEMENTAL

22 Repeal of the 2006 Act

The 2006 Act is repealed.

23 Power to make consequential provision etc

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument make—
 - (a) any supplementary, incidental or consequential provision, and
 - (b) any transitional or saving provision,that he considers necessary or expedient for the purposes of, in consequence of, or for giving full effect to, any provision of this Act.
- (2) An order under this section may in particular—
 - (a) make different provision for different cases or purposes;
 - (b) amend, repeal or revoke any enactment passed or made on or before 28 March 2007.
- (3) In this section “enactment” includes—
 - (a) any of sub-paragraphs (1) to (8) of paragraph 2 of Schedule 4,
 - (b) any provision of, or of any instrument made under, Northern Ireland legislation, and
 - (c) any provision of subordinate legislation (within the meaning of the Interpretation Act 1978 (c. 30)).

24 Parliamentary procedure for orders under section 23

- (1) Subsections (3) to (7) have effect in the case of a statutory instrument which contains (alone or with other provisions) an order under section 23 which amends or repeals any provision of—
 - (a) an Act, or
 - (b) Northern Ireland legislation.
- (2) Any other statutory instrument containing an order under that section shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (3) A statutory instrument of a description mentioned in subsection (1) may not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.
- (4) But subsection (3) does not apply if the order declares that the Secretary of State considers it expedient for the order to be made without that approval.
- (5) An order containing a declaration under subsection (4)—
 - (a) must be laid before Parliament after being made, and
 - (b) ceases to have effect if it is not approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament before the end of the period of 40 days beginning with the date on which it is made.
- (6) Subsection (5)(b) does not prejudice—
 - (a) anything done as a result of the order before it ceased to have effect, or
 - (b) the making of a new order.
- (7) In calculating the period of 40 days mentioned in subsection (5)(b), no account is to be taken of any time during which Parliament is dissolved or prorogued or during which both Houses are adjourned for more than four days.

25 Interpretation

In this Act—

- “the 1998 Act” means the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (c. 47);
- “the 2000 Act” means the Northern Ireland Act 2000 (c. 1);
- “the 2006 Act” means the Northern Ireland Act 2006 (c. 17);
- “First Minister”, “deputy First Minister” and “Northern Ireland Minister” have the same meaning as in the 1998 Act;
- “restoration order” means a restoration order under section 2(2) of the 2000 Act (order restoring devolved government);
- “the St Andrews Agreement” means the agreement reached on 13 October 2006 at multi-party talks on Northern Ireland held at St Andrews;
- “the Transitional Assembly” has the meaning given by section 1(1) of this Act.

26 Extent

- (1) The following provisions of this Act extend to Northern Ireland only—
 - (a) section 20 and Schedules 8 and 9;
 - (b) section 21.

(2) Subject to that, this Act extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

27 Commencement

- (1) Schedules 2 to 4 shall only come into force in the circumstances specified in, and in accordance with, section 2.
- (2) Subject to paragraph 3(1)(b) of Schedule 3, section 3(1) shall come into force on 26 January 2007.
- (3) The following provisions shall come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument appoint, and different days may be appointed for different purposes—
 - (a) section 4;
 - (b) section 20(1) and Schedule 8.
- (4) Part 2 (including Schedules 5 to 7) shall come into force if (and only if) the Secretary of State makes a restoration order by virtue of section 2(2).
- (5) If that Part comes into force in accordance with subsection (4), it shall come into force on 26 March 2007.
- (6) Section 20(2) and Schedule 9 shall come into force in accordance with provision made by an order under section 19(2) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2003 (c. 6).
- (7) Section 21(2) shall only come into force in the circumstances specified in, and in accordance with, subsections (3) and (4) of that section.
- (8) Subject to that, this Act shall come into force on the day on which it is passed.

28 Short title

This Act may be cited as the Northern Ireland (St Andrews Agreement) Act 2006.