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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 11

#### SCHOOLS: EXCEPTIONS

##### PART 1

##### SEX DISCRIMINATION

###### *Single-sex schools turning co-educational*

- 3 (1) If the responsible body of a single-sex school decides to alter its admissions arrangements so that the school will cease to be a single-sex school, the body may apply for a transitional exemption order in relation to the school.
- (2) If the responsible body of a school to which paragraph 2 applies decides to alter its admissions arrangements so that the school will cease to be one to which that paragraph applies, the body may apply for a transitional exemption order in relation to the school.
- (3) A transitional exemption order in relation to a school is an order which, during the period specified in the order as the transitional period, authorises—
- (a) sex discrimination by the responsible body of the school in the arrangements it makes for deciding who is offered admission as a pupil;
  - (b) the responsible body, in the circumstances specified in the order, not to admit a person as a pupil because of the person's sex.
- (4) Paragraph 4 applies in relation to the making of transitional exemption orders.
- (5) The responsible body of a school does not contravene this Act, so far as relating to sex discrimination, if—
- (a) in accordance with a transitional exemption order, or
  - (b) pending the determination of an application for a transitional exemption order in relation to the school,
- it does not admit a person as a pupil because of the person's sex.

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 40A inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 1](#)
- s. 120(9) inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 2\(b\)](#)
- s. 124A inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 3](#)