



2021 CHAPTER 3

General

Commencement

14.—(1) Section 1(3) comes into operation at the end of the period of 6 months beginning with the end of the day on which this Act receives Royal Assent.

(2) The other provisions of this Act come into operation on the day on which the Act receives Royal Assent.

Interpretation

15. In this Act—

“special adviser” has the meaning given by section 1 of the Civil Service (Special Advisers) Act (Northern Ireland) 2013;

“Minister” means—

- (a) the First Minister or deputy First Minister,
- (b) a Northern Ireland Minister,
- (c) a junior Minister,

and the words in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) have the same meaning as in the Northern Ireland Act 1998.

Short title

16. This Act may be cited as the Functioning of Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland) 2021.