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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1998**

**PART II**

**DISCIPLINE**

**behavioural difficulties**

6.—(1) Every board shall prepare a statement setting out the arrangements made or proposed to be made by the board in connection with the education of children with behavioural difficulties.

(2) The arrangements to be covered by the statement include in particular—

- (a) the arrangements made or to be made by the board for the provision of advice and resources to grant-aided schools situated in its area, and other arrangements made or to be made by the board with a view to—
  - (i) meeting requests by such schools for support and assistance in connection with the promotion of good behaviour and discipline on the part of their pupils; and
  - (ii) assisting such schools to deal with general behavioural problems and the behavioural difficulties of individual pupils;
- (b) the arrangements made or to be made by the board in pursuance of Article 86(1); and
- (c) any other arrangements made or to be made by the board for assisting children with behavioural difficulties to find places at suitable schools.

(3) The statement shall also deal with the interaction between the arrangements referred to in paragraph (2) and those made by the board in relation to pupils with behavioural difficulties who have special educational needs.

(4) A board—

- (a) shall at least once in every year review the statement; and
- (b) may at any time revise the statement.

(5) In the course of preparing the statement or reviewing it a board shall consult—

- (a) the other boards;
- (b) the Board of Governors of all grant-aided schools situated in its area;
- (c) the Council for Catholic Maintained Schools; and
- (d) such other bodies or persons as the board considers appropriate.

(6) A board shall—

- (a) publish the current statement under this Article;
- (b) send a copy of the current statement to the Board of Governors of every grant-aided school situated in its area; and
- (c) secure that copies of the current statement are available for inspection (at all reasonable times and free of charge) at the headquarters of the board.

(7) In discharging its functions under this Article a board shall have regard to any guidance given from time to time by the Department.