

These notes refer to the Northern Ireland (St Andrews Agreement) Act 2006 (c.53) which received Royal Assent on 22 November 2006

NORTHERN IRELAND (ST ANDREWS AGREEMENT) ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENCEMENT

146. By virtue of section 27, the following provisions came into force on Royal Assent:
- section 1 (preparations for restoration of devolved government)
 - section 2 (compliance or non-compliance with St Andrews Agreement timetable)
 - section 3(2) and (3) (disapplication of by-election provisions for vacancies arising before next Assembly election)
 - section 21(1) and (3) to (5) (amendment of Education (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 etc)
 - Part 4 (supplemental)
 - Schedule 1 (the Transitional Assembly)
147. The following provisions will come into force on a day appointed by the Secretary of State:
- section 4 (remuneration of members of the Northern Ireland Assembly)
 - section 20(1) and Schedule 8 (reconstitution of district policing partnerships)
148. [Schedules 2 to 4](#) (consequences of compliance or non-compliance with St Andrews Agreement timetable) shall only come into force in the circumstances specified in section 2.
149. Subject to paragraph 3(1)(b) of Schedule 3, section 3(1) (election of the next Northern Ireland Assembly to be in March 2007) will come into force on 26 January 2007.
150. [Part 2](#) (amendments of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 etc), including Schedules 5 to 7, shall come into force on 26 March 2007 if (and only if) the Secretary of State makes a restoration order under section 2(2).
151. [Section 20\(2\)](#) and Schedule 9 (district policing partnerships: Belfast sub-groups) will come into force in accordance with provision made by an order under the relevant policing legislation (section 19(2) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2003).
152. [Section 21\(2\)](#) (different selection criteria for different descriptions of school) will come into force only if Schedule 4 does (see section 21(3) and (4)).