

Examiner of Statutory Rules

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Committee for Enterprise, Trade and Investment	S.R. 2015 Nos. 387, 388
Committee for the Environment	S.R. 2015 Nos. 386, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398,
Committee for Finance and Personnel	Draft S.R.: The Public Service (Civil Servants and Others) Pensions (Consequential Provisions) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015
Committee for Justice	Draft S.R.: The Police Pensions (Consequential Provisions) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015
Committee for Regional Development	S.R. 2015 No. 390, 392
Committee for Social Development	S.R. 2015 No. 384, 385, 402, 403, 404

- In accordance with the delegations in respect of the technical scrutiny of statutory rules under Standing Order 43(4)(b) given to the Examiner of Statutory Rules by the appropriate Committees on 25, 26 and 31 May and 1 June 2011 for this mandate of the Assembly, I submit my report on the statutory rules listed in the Appendix.
- 2. My terms of reference are essentially set out in Standing Order 43(6) (taken with the delegations under Standing Order 43(4)(b)). They are as follows:
 - "(6) In scrutinising an instrument the appropriate Committee shall inter alia consider the instrument with a view to determining and reporting on whether it requires to be drawn to the special attention of the Assembly on any of the following grounds, namely, that –
 - (a) it imposes a charge on the public revenues or prescribes the amount of any such charge;
 - (b) it contains provisions requiring any payment to be made to any Northern Ireland department or public body in respect of any approval, authorisation, licence or consent or of any service provided or to be provided by that department or body or prescribes the amount of any such payment;
 - (c) the parent legislation excludes it from challenge in the courts;
 - it purports to have retrospective effect where the parent legislation confers no express authority so to provide;
 - (e) there appears to have been unjustifiable delay in the publication of it or in the laying of it before the Assembly;
 - (f) there appears to be a doubt whether it is intra vires or it appears to make some unusual or unexpected use of the powers conferred by the parent legislation;
 - (g) it calls for elucidation;
 - (h) it appears to have defects in its drafting;

or on any other ground which does not impinge on its merits or the policy behind it.".

Statutory rules to which attention is drawn in this report

3. I do not draw attention to any of the statutory rules listed in the Appendix.

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Appendix

(The attention of the appropriate Committees and the Assembly is drawn to those statutory rules marked in bold)

Draft statutory rules requiring the approval of the Assembly

Draft S.R.: The Police Pensions (Consequential Provisions) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015

Draft S.R.: The Public Service (Civil Servants and Others) Pensions (Consequential Provisions) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015

Statutory rules subject to negative resolution

The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/384)

The Charities Act 2008 (Substitution of Sums) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/385)

The Waste Management Licensing (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/386)

The Storage of Carbon Dioxide (Licensing etc.) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/387)

The Storage of Carbon Dioxide (Access to Infrastructure) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/388)

The Clifton Street/Carrick Hill, Belfast (Footway) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/390)

The Carnbane Road, Newry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/392)

The Taxis (Taximeters, Devices and Maximum Fares) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/394)

The Taxi Operators Licensing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/395)

The Taxi Accessibility Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/396)

The Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/397)

The Planning (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/398)

The Payment of Pension Levies for Past Periods Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/402)

The Occupational Pensions (Revaluation) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/403)

The Social Security (Crediting and Treatment of National Insurance Contributions, and National Insurance Numbers) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/404)



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