

*These notes refer to the Mental Capacity Act (Northern Ireland)  
2016 (c.18) which received Royal Assent on 9 May 2016*

# Mental Capacity Act (Northern Ireland) 2016

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 15 – Supplementary**

##### ***Section 296 – Special accommodation***

Although Northern Ireland does not at present have any high security hospitals, this section makes provision for the Department of Health and the Department of Justice to, in the future, provide such special accommodation for people detained under the Act who require care and treatment in accommodation under conditions of special security, to protect other persons.