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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1998 No. 3162**

The Fair Employment and Treatment  
(Northern Ireland) Order 1998

PART VII

DUTIES OF EMPLOYERS IN RESPECT OF THEIR WORKFORCES

*Public authorities*

**Power to specify public authorities by order**

**50.**—(1) In this Part “public authority” means a person specified in an order made by the Department.

(2) The order may provide for a person to be a public authority for all or any of the purposes of this Part.

(3) The Department shall not exercise the power conferred by this Article so that a person becomes a public authority for any of the purposes of this Part unless the person is—

- (a) a Minister of the Crown or a Northern Ireland Minister;
- (b) a statutory body or the holder of a statutory office; or
- (c) a person appearing to the Department to exercise functions of a public nature.