



2009 CHAPTER 6

Declarations of presumed death

Repeal of certain statutory provisions relating to presumption of death

14.—(1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), the following statutory provisions cease to have effect—

- (a) Article 21 of the [Matrimonial Causes \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1978 \(NI 15\)](#) (presumption of death and dissolution of marriage);
- (b) section 178 and section 196(2) of the Civil Partnership Act [2004 \(c. 33\)](#) (presumption of death orders).

(2) Article 21 of the Matrimonial Causes (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 continues to have effect in relation to any petition presented to the High Court under paragraph (1) of that Article before the date on which subsection (1) comes into operation.

(3) Section 178 and section 196(2) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004 continue to have effect in relation to any application made under subsection (1) of section 178 before the date on which subsection (1) of this section comes into operation.