

These notes refer to the Wildlife and Natural Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 (c.15) which received Royal Assent on 29 March 2011

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 13 - Introduction of new species

Article 15 of the Wildlife Order is concerned with controlling the introduction of non-native invasive species. This Section applies those controls to hybrids of such species. Provision is included to give the Department a discretionary power to issue guidance (or approve guidance issued by others) for the purpose of controlling the introduction of such invasive species. Such guidance will be essential in promoting awareness among relevant sectors of the risks posed by the introduction of such species and will be available as evidence for the courts in any relevant proceedings.