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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Part 2: The Northern Ireland Assembly Commissioner for Standards

Section 28: Power to call for witnesses and documents

This section enables the Commissioner to require witnesses to attend and give evidence or to provide documents. This section is subject to the same limitations as apply to the Assembly's power to call for witnesses and documents under section 44 of the 1998 Act. A prospective witness will not be obliged to answer a question or produce a document which would not have to be answered or produced in court.