## These notes refer to the Civil Registration Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 (c.20) which received Royal Assent on 3 May 2011

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Section 23: Access to information relating to marriages and civil partnerships

Amends the Marriage (NI) Order 2003 and the Civil Partnership Act 2004 to enable regulations to be made which may: 1) make provision for persons to access information contained in any marriage and civil partnership registration records; 2) make provision for the Registrar General to enter into arrangements with 3<sup>rd</sup> parties for the purpose of providing access to information contained in any marriage and civil partnership registration records; and 3) make provision for the Registrar General to transfer registration information to 3<sup>rd</sup> parties, subject to conditions, for the purpose of providing access to such information.