

These notes refer to the Housing (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 (c.22) which received Royal Assent on 3 May 2011

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 13: Disclosure of information as to orders, etc. in respect of anti-social behaviour

Section 13 provides that any person may disclose to the landlord of a secure tenancy information about certain orders or applications for orders relating to anti-social behaviour to enable the landlord to decide:

- whether to withhold consent to an exchange of tenancies on anti-social behaviour grounds;
- whether a tenant is entitled to exercise the right to buy their home, or
- to take any appropriate action in relation to an application to exchange tenancies or to exercise the right to buy.

Section 13 also provides that any person may disclose to the Housing Executive information about certain orders or applications for orders relating to anti-social behaviour to enable the Executive to decide:

- whether to treat an applicant for an allocation of housing accommodation as ineligible for such an allocation by virtue of unacceptable behaviour; or
- whether to treat an applicant for homelessness assistance as ineligible for such an allocation by virtue of unacceptable behaviour.

Section 13 also provides that any person may disclose to a registered housing association information about certain orders or applications for orders relating to anti-social behaviour to enable the association to decide whether to allocate housing accommodation to any person.