

These notes refer to the Houses in Multiple Occupation Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c.22) which received Royal Assent on 12 May 2016

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2: Licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation

Section 13: Suitability of living accommodation for multiple occupation:

Section 8(2)(e), as read with section 13, states that councils may only grant a licence if they are satisfied that the accommodation is suitable for use as an HMO for the specified maximum number of persons, or could be made so by including conditions in the licence. The criteria that the councils must consider are given. It includes a power for the Department to set out minimum standards in regulations.