These notes refer to the Licensing and Registration of Clubs (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 2021 (c.7) which received Royal Assent on 26 August 2021

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1

Licensing

Section 11: Sales and consumption of liquor in local producer's premises

This section introduces a new Article 52E to the Licensing Order which will allow a local producer to apply to the court for an order to specify any part of the premises as suitable for the sale and consumption of intoxicating liquor produced in the premises. Subject to the grant of such an order, a local producer may also apply to the court for an authorisation under a new Article 52F to sell intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises between the permitted hours of 4pm and 10pm. Not more than 104 such authorisations can be granted to a licence holder in any year and an authorisation cannot authorise the sale of intoxicating liquor on Christmas Day.

Article 30 of the Licensing Order (occasional licences) is also amended to prohibit the granting of an occasional licence for local production premises which have a suitability order under Article 52E.