

These notes refer to the Adoption and Children Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 (c.18) which received Royal Assent on 27 April 2022

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1 - Adoption

Chapter 3 - Placement for Adoption and Adoption Orders

Section 53: Disclosing information to prospective adopters

Section 53 provides that the general regulation making power under section 9 may be used to require adoption agencies in prescribed circumstances to provide prescribed information to prospective adopters. The intention is to require adoption agencies to provide prospective adopters with the necessary information about a child (for example the child's needs, interests, how the child relates to other children and adults and the child's education and health) to help them decide whether to accept a match that the adoption agency suggests with a child.