

*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 58: Offence*

Section 58 enables regulations to provide that an appropriate voluntary organisation which discloses information in contravention of section 56 is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.