

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 3

Minor and consequential amendments

PART 1

Amendments of primary legislation

The Adoption and Children Act 2002

56. In section 63 (counselling), in subsection (4)(b) for the words from “or an” to the end of the paragraph substitute “or an appropriate voluntary organisation within the meaning of the Adoption and Children Act (Northern Ireland) 2022”.

57. In section 65 (sections 56 to 65: interpretation), in subsection (2)(b) for the words from “or an” to “(N.I.22)” substitute “or an appropriate voluntary organisation within the meaning of the Adoption and Children Act (Northern Ireland) 2022”.

58. In section 123 (restriction on advertisements etc.), in subsection (3)(a) for “Article 11 or 58 of the [Adoption \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1987 \(S.I.1987/2203 \(N.I.22\)\)](#)” substitute “section 84 or 96 of the Adoption and Children Act (Northern Ireland) 2022”.

59. In section 144 (general interpretation etc.), in subsection (1)—

- (a) in the definition of “Northern Irish adoption agency” for “Article 3 of the [Adoption \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1987 \(S.I. 1987/2203 \(N.I. 22\)\)](#)” substitute “section 2 of the Adoption and Children Act (Northern Ireland) 2022”;
- (b) in the definition of “Northern Irish adoption order” after “Order 1987” insert “or an adoption order within the meaning of section 43(1) of the Adoption and Children Act (Northern Ireland) 2022”.