

*These notes refer to the Climate Change Act (Northern Ireland)
2022 (c.31) which received Royal Assent on 6 June 2022*

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 6 - Supplementary

Section 58: Advice about proposed regulations relating to budgets

This section sets out how the Committee on Climate Change must respond to requests under section 56 for advice on proposed regulations which will set or amend carbon budgets.

Subsection (2) requires the Committee to advise on the levels at which carbon budgets should be set and on the extent to which budgets should be met by reducing the amount of net Northern Ireland emissions, or by the use of carbon units credited to the net Northern Ireland emissions account.

The Committee must advise on the respective contributions towards meeting carbon budgets that should be made by sectors of the Northern Ireland economy covered by trading schemes (taken as a whole) and by other sectors not covered (taken as a whole). The Committee is also required to advise on sectors of the Northern Ireland economy in which there are particular opportunities for contributions to be made towards meeting carbon budgets through reductions in emissions of greenhouse gases.