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### **PART III**

# DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION IN EDUCATION

#### **CHAPTER II**

#### FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION

#### VALID FROM 01/10/2008

# [F1Other unlawful acts

F1 Arts. 30A-30C and cross-heading inserted (10.8.2006 for certain purposes and 1.9.2006 otherwise) by Special Educational Needs and Disability (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 (Amendment) (Further and Higher Education) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006 (S.R. 2006/332), regs. 1(3), 10

# Relationships which have come to an end

- **30A.**—(1) This Article applies where—
  - (a) there has been a relevant relationship between a disabled person and a responsible body, and
  - (b) that relationship has come to an end.
- (2) In this Article a "relevant relationship" is a relationship during the course of which an act of discrimination against, or harassment of, one party to the relationship by the other party to it is unlawful under any preceding provision of this Chapter.
  - (3) It is unlawful for the responsible body—
    - (a) to discriminate against the disabled person by subjecting him to a detriment, or
    - (b) to subject the disabled person to harassment,

where the discrimination or harassment arises out of and is closely connected to the relevant relationship.

- (4) This paragraph applies where—
  - (a) a provision, criterion or practice applied by the responsible body to the disabled person in relation to any matter arising out of the relevant relationship, or
  - (b) a physical feature of premises which are occupied by the responsible body,

places the disabled person at a substantial disadvantage in comparison with persons who are not disabled but are in the same position as the disabled person in relation to the responsible body.

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- (5) Where paragraph (4) applies, it is the duty of the responsible body to take such steps as are reasonable, in all the circumstances of the case, to prevent the provision, criterion or practice, or feature, having that effect.
- (6) Paragraph (5) imposes duties only for the purpose of determining whether a responsible body has discriminated against a disabled person; and accordingly a breach of any such duty is not actionable as such.
- (7) Nothing in paragraph (5) imposes any duty on the responsible body if it does not know, and could not reasonably be expected to know, that the person has a disability and is likely to be affected in the way mentioned in that paragraph.
- (8) In paragraph (2), reference to an act of discrimination or harassment which is unlawful includes, in the case of a relationship which has come to an end before the commencement of this Article, reference to such an act which would, after the commencement of this Article, be unlawful.

## Instructions and pressure to discriminate

- **30B.**—(1) It is unlawful for a responsible body to instruct another person to do any act which is unlawful under this Chapter or to procure or attempt to procure the doing of any such unlawful act by that other person.
- (2) It is also unlawful for a responsible body to induce, or attempt to induce, another person to do any act which is unlawful under this Chapter by—
  - (a) providing or offering to provide that person with any benefit, or
  - (b) subjecting or threatening to subject that person to any detriment.
- (3) An attempted inducement is not prevented from falling within paragraph (2) because it is not made directly to the person in question, if it is made in such a way that he is likely to hear of it.

#### **Discriminatory advertisements**

- **30**C.—(1) It is unlawful for a responsible body to publish or cause to be published an advertisement which—
  - (a) invites applications in relation to any course or student service provided or offered by it, or any qualification conferred by it, and
  - (b) indicates, or might reasonably be understood to indicate, that such an application will or may be determined to any extent by reference to—
    - (i) the applicant not having any disability, or any particular disability, or
    - (ii) any reluctance on the part of the person determining the application to comply with a duty imposed on it by Article 30.
- (2) Paragraph (1) does not apply where it would not in fact be unlawful under this Chapter for an application to be determined in the manner indicated (or understood to be indicated) in the advertisement.
- (3) In this Article, "advertisement" includes every form of advertisement or notice, whether to the public or not.]

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