EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations provide for technical amendments to the Judicial Pensions (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2015 ("the 2015 Regulations") including provisions for partial retirement options.

In accordance with section 21 of the Public Service Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 ("the 2014 Act"), the Department of Justice has consulted such persons and representatives of such persons as appear to it likely to be affected by these Regulations.

In accordance with section 3(5) of the 2014 Act, the Department of Finance has consented to the making of these Regulations.

In accordance with section 24(1)(c) of the 2014 Act, the Pension Board for the scheme constituted by the 2015 Regulations has stated that it considers these Regulations to be minor or wholly beneficial.