

1972. No. 124

**AGRICULTURE (ABOLITION OF COUNTY COMMITTEES) ACT  
(NORTHERN IRELAND) 1972**

**Abolition of County Committees and Transfer of Functions**

ORDER, DATED 15TH MAY 1972, MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER SECTION 1 OF THE AGRICULTURE (ABOLITION OF COUNTY COMMITTEES) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1972

*Made* - - - - - 15th May 1972

*Laid before the Parliament of the United Kingdom under paragraph 4(5)(b) of the Schedule to the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972* - 25th May 1972

*Coming into operation* - - - - 31st May 1972

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 1 of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(a) and section 1 of the Agriculture (Abolition of County Committees) Act (Northern Ireland) 1972(b) I hereby order as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Agriculture (Abolition of County Committees and Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 1972.

2. The County Committees of Agriculture shall be abolished as from 31st May 1972.

3. Upon that abolition:—

- (1) those functions which are laid down in paragraph (b) of section 3(1) of the Agriculture Act (Northern Ireland) 1949(c) regarding the receipt of applications for and the selection of persons who are to receive premiums payable under any scheme for improving the quality of livestock or poultry, shall be transferred to the Ministry of Agriculture;
- (2) all other functions laid down by section 3 of the Agriculture Act (Northern Ireland) 1949 as amended by section 2 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland) 1959(d) shall cease to exist.

Dated this 15th day of May 1972.

*W. S. I. Whitelaw,*  
Secretary of State.

(a) 1972. c. 22.  
(b) 1972. c. 15 (N.I.).

(c) 1949. c. 2 (N.I.).  
(d) 1959. c. 2 (N.I.).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)*

This Order abolishes county committees of agriculture with effect from 31st May 1972 and transfers certain of their functions to the Ministry of Agriculture.