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2018 No.

The Transparency of Donations and Loans etc. (Northern Ireland Political Parties) Order 2018

Amendments to Schedule 7A to the 2000 Act

- **9.**—(1) Schedule 7A to the 2000 Act (control of loans etc. to individuals and members associations) is amended as follows.
 - (2) In paragraph 9 (transaction reports: transactions with authorised participants)—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (6), after "For the purposes of this paragraph", insert "(other than sub-paragraphs (6A) to (6C)) and section 71Z4 (duty not to disclose contents of transaction reports)",
 - (b) after sub-paragraph (6), insert—
 - "(6A) But if sub-paragraph (6) would otherwise have the effect that a person who is or has been a member or employee of the Commission could make available to the public information to which this sub-paragraph applies, it does not have that effect.
 - (6B) Sub-paragraph (6A) applies to information—
 - (a) which has been obtained by the Commission in the exercise of their functions under Part 4A(1), and
 - (b) which relates to a controlled transaction to which a Northern Ireland participant is a party and which was entered into before 1 January 2014.
 - (6C) Information to which sub-paragraph (6A) applies is to be treated for the purposes of sections 71Z4 and 149A (inspection of Commission's registers etc.: Northern Ireland) as information relating to a transaction to which section 71Z4 applies.",
 - (c) after sub-paragraph (9), insert—
 - "(9A) Sub-paragraph (9B) applies in relation to a transaction which—
 - (a) is entered into by a Northern Ireland participant before 1 July 2017, and
 - (b) is included in a report under sub-paragraph (1) to which this sub-paragraph applies because it has been varied as described in sub-paragraph (6).
 - (9B) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (9)(d), the report on the transaction must give—
 - (a) the date on which the transaction was first entered into, and
 - (b) the date on which the variation took effect.
 - (9C) Sub-paragraph (9A) applies to a report which is delivered to the Commission on or after the date on which Article 9 of the Transparency of Donations and Loans etc. (Northern Ireland Political Parties) Order 2018 comes into force.", and
 - (d) after sub-paragraph (10), insert—

⁽¹⁾ Part 4A was inserted by section 61(1) of the Electoral Administration Act 2006 and has been amended by section 20(1) of the Political Parties and Elections Act 2009.

- "(11) In this Schedule, "Northern Ireland participant" means a regulated participant who is—
 - (a) an individual ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland, or
 - (b) a members association wholly or mainly consisting of members of a party registered in the Northern Ireland register."
- (3) In paragraph 11 (transaction reports: changes to recorded transactions), after sub-paragraph (7) insert—
 - "(8) Where information about a change of the kind mentioned in section 71Z4(A3)(b) to a transaction to which a Northern Ireland participant is a party is supplied in a report under this paragraph to which this sub-paragraph applies, and the transaction was entered into before 1 January 2014, the report must state that fact.
 - (9) Sub-paragraph (8) applies to a report which is delivered to the Commission on or after the date on which Article 9 of the Transparency of Donations and Loans etc. (Northern Ireland Political Parties) Order 2018 comes into force."