**Draft Legislation:** This is a draft item of legislation. This draft has since been made as a UK Statutory Instrument: The Animal Health, Seed Potatoes and Food (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 No. 962

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made in part in exercise of the powers conferred by the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c. 16) in order to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies (in particular section 8(2)(c) and (g)) arising from the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union.

Part 2 amends Northern Ireland domestic legislation concerning the control of salmonella in poultry, broiler flocks and turkeys to ensure the legislation will remain operable after the UK has left the EU.

Part 3 makes minor amendments to the Beef and Veal Labelling Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 to ensure the legislation will remain operable after the UK has left the EU.

Part 4 makes minor amendments to the Seed Potatoes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 to ensure that they remain operable after the UK has left the EU. It provides for a one-year interim period during which time EU seed will continue to be recognised for production and marketing in Northern Ireland to ensure continuity in supplies of seed potatoes.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.