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## NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS ACT 2003

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **INTRODUCTION**

- 1. These explanatory notes refer to the Northern Ireland Assembly Elections Act 2003 which received Royal Assent on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2003. They have been provided by the Northern Ireland Office to assist the reader in understanding the Act. They do not form part of the Act and have not been endorsed by Parliament.
- 2. The notes need to be read in conjunction with the Act. They are not, and are not meant to be, a comprehensive description of the Act. So where a section or part of a section does not seem to require any explanation or comment, none is given.