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SCHEDULE

ACTS REPEALED

[No. 32.] *Community, Rural and Gaeltacht* [2007.]
Affairs (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act
2007.

ACTS REFERRED TO

Alginate Industries (Ireland) Limited (Acquisition of Shares) Act 1949	1949, No. 22
Alginate Industries (Ireland) Limited (Acquisition of Shares) Act 1954	1954, No. 29
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Western Development Commission Act 1998	1998, No. 42



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AN ACT TO CONFIRM THE FUNCTIONS OF THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNITY, RURAL AND GAELTACHT AFFAIRS, TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1997, TO AMEND THE WESTERN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ACT 1998, TO AMEND THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNITY, RURAL AND GAELTACHT AFFAIRS (POWERS AND FUNCTIONS) ACT 2003, TO REPEAL THE ARRAMARA TEORANTA (ACQUISITION OF SHARES) ACTS 1949 TO 2002, AND TO PROVIDE FOR RELATED MATTERS.

[9th July, 2007]

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:

1.—In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

Definitions.

“Act of 2003” means the Minister for Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs (Powers and Functions) Act 2003;

“community development” includes local development and schemes that provide support for communities in order to enable them to improve the lives of the members of the communities;

“Department” means the Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs;

“Minister” means the Minister for Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs;

“National Drugs Strategy” means national strategies approved from time to time by the Government for the purposes of countering drug misuse in the State;

“rural development” includes—

- (a) the promotion, fostering and support of economic, social and cultural activities in rural areas by the implementation of a broad range of schemes, and
- (b) initiatives to sustain employment in, and assist in the prosperity of, rural areas;