STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1999 No. 440

DISABLED PERSONS

The Disability Discrimination (Description of Insurance Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999

Made - - - -	*2nd November 1999*
Coming into operation	*14th December 1999*

The Department of Economic Development, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections 18(3) and 67(1) to (3)(**1**) of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995(**2**) ("the Act") and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Disability Discrimination (Description of Insurance Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999 and shall come into operation on 14th December 1999.

(2) In these Regulations "employees" means the employer's employees or a class of his employees.

(3) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**3**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Description of Insurance Services

2.—(1) For the purposes of the definition of "insurance services" in section 18(3) of the Act Group Insurance within the meaning of paragraph (2) is hereby prescribed.

(2) "Group Insurance" means an arrangement entered into between an insurer and an employer under which the insurer provides benefits to employees and under which all of the functions described in paragraph (3) below are either:—

(a) under the terms of the arrangement, solely exercisable by the insurer; or

(b) in practice, solely exercised by the insurer.

(3) The functions mentioned in paragraph (2) are:—

(**1**) *See* Section 68 for the definition of "prescribed" and "regulations".
(**2**) 1995 c. 50 as it applies in Northern Ireland by virtue of section 70(6) and Schedule 8 thereof.
(**3**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)