1991 No. 457

NORTHERN IRELAND DEPARTMENTS

Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 1991

Made . . . . . *30th September 1991*

Coming into operation . . *1st November 1991*

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Ministries Act (Northern Ireland) 1944(**a**) and now vested in me(**b**) and all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby make the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 1991.

(2) This order shall come into operation on 1st November 1991.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"Department" includes the head of a Department;

"the transfer date" means 1st November 1991;

"transferred provision" has the meaning assigned to it by section 1 of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**c**).

Transfer of certain functions of the Department of Finance and Personnel

3. There shall be and are hereby transferred as from the transfer date to the Department of the Environment the functions exercisable immediately before that date by the Department of Finance and Personnel under or for the purposes of the Development Services Act (Northern Ireland) 1948(**d**) and so much of any transferred provision in force on the transfer date as confers functions on the Department of Finance and Personnel for the purposes of that Act.

References in enactments, etc

4.—(1) In the construction and for the purposes of any transferred provision, judgement, decree, order, award, deed, contract, regulation, byelaw, certificate or other document passed or made before the transfer date, any reference to, or which is to be construed as a reference to, the Department

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(**a**) 1944 c. 14 (N.I.)
(**b**) By S.I. 1973/2163 Article 14(1) and Sch. 5 para. 27; 1974 c. 28 section 1(3) and Sch. 1 para. 2(1)(*b*)
(**c**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(**d**) 1948 c. 25 (N.I.)