1983 No. 38

NORTHERN IRELAND DEPARTMENTS

Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 1983

Made	*1st March 1983*
Coming into operation . . .	*1st April 1983*

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) 1983.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on 1st April 1983.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"Department" includes the head of a Department;

"the transfer date" means 1st April 1983;

"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 Education

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(**d**) of Education under or for the purposes of the Social Need (Grants) Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(**e**).

References in enactments, etc.

4.—(1) In the construction and for the purposes of any transferred provision, judgment, 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 of Education shall, so far only as may be necessary for the purposes of this Order be construed as a reference to the Department of the Environment.

(2) The transfer of functions by this Order shall not affect any order, regulation, rule, appointment, direction, instruction, approval, requirement or authorisation made or given or other thing done by the Department of Education before the transfer date, but any such matter shall, if in force immediately before that date, continue in force to the like extent and subject to the like provisions as if it had been duly made, given or done by the Department of the Environment.

(3) Anything commenced before the transfer date by or under the authority of the Department of Education may, so far as it relates to any function transferred by this

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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**) Formerly Ministry: *see* 1973 c. 36 s. 40 and Sch. 5 para. 8(1)
(**e**) 1970 c. 13 (N.I.)