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MAGISTRATES' COURTS

School Attendance Proceedings

RULES, DATED 3RD NOVEMBER 1969, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 23 OF THE MAGISTRATES' COURTS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1964.

I, the Right Honourable Robert Wilson Porter, Q.C., Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by Sections 23 and 25(2) of the Magistrates' Courts Act (Northern Ireland) 1964(a), do hereby, upon the recommendation of the Magistrates' Courts Rules Committee and after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice, make the Rules hereinafter set forth.

Dated this 3rd day of November 1969.

R. W. Porter,
Minister of Home Affairs
for Northern Ireland.

Citation

1. These Rules shall be cited as the Magistrates' Courts (School Attendance Proceedings) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1969 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1970.

Assignment to Juvenile Courts of hearing of complaints for offences under Section 35 or Section 37 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland) 1947

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), any complaint made on or after 1st January 1970 charging the commission of an offence under section 35 or 37 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland) 1947(b) (which sections respectively relate to failure to cause a child to become a registered pupil at a school in compliance with a school attendance order and to failure to secure the regular attendance at school of a registered pupil) shall be heard by a juvenile court.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a complaint for any such offence committed in the petty sessions district of the County Borough of Belfast.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Rules but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Rules assign to juvenile courts (other than a juvenile court for the County Borough of Belfast) the hearing of proceedings for offences by parents of failure to comply with a school attendance order under Section 35 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland) 1947 or to secure the regular attendance of a child at school under Section 37 of that Act.

(a) 1964. c. 21 (N.I). (b) 1947. c. 3.