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PROSPECTIVE

## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 3

#### Minor and consequential amendments

#### PART 1

#### Amendments of primary legislation

##### *The Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995*

- 34.** In Article 35 (persons qualifying for advice and assistance)—
- (a) for paragraph (1) substitute—
    - “(1) In this Part “a person qualifying for advice and assistance” means a person to whom paragraph (1A) or (1B) applies.
    - (1A) This paragraph applies to a person—
      - (a) who has reached the age of 16 but not the age of 21;
      - (b) with respect to whom a special guardianship order is in force (or, if the person has reached the age of 18, was in force when the person reached that age); and
      - (c) who was, immediately before the making of that order, looked after by an authority.
    - (1B) This paragraph applies to a person to whom paragraph (1A) does not apply, and who—
      - (a) is under 21; and
      - (b) at any time after reaching the age of 16 but while still a child was, but is no longer, looked after, accommodated or fostered.”;
  - (b) in paragraph (2), for “paragraph (1)(b)” substitute “paragraph (1B)(b)”;
  - (c) in paragraph (5), before sub-paragraph (a) insert—
    - “(za) in the case of a person to whom paragraph (1A) applies, an authority determined in accordance with regulations made by the Department;”.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act applied (with modifications) by S.I. 2018/412, Sch. 3 (as substituted) by [2022 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 83](#)