STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1981 No. 235

MENTAL HEALTH

The Patients' Affairs (Financial Limits of Jurisdiction) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981

Made - - -	*18th February* 1981
Laid before Parliament	*26th February* 1981
Coming into Operation	*23rd March* 1981

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 18th day of February 1981.

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by section 68(2) of the Lunacy Regulation (Ireland) Act 1871(a), is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Patients' Affairs (Financial Limits of Jurisdiction) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 and shall come into operation on 23rd March 1981.

2. In section 68(1) of the Lunacy Regulation (Ireland) Act 1871 (under which, where the property of a person who is of unsound mind and incapable of managing his affairs does not exceed £20,000 in value or the income thereof £2,000 per annum, an order may be made protecting the property or the income or applying it for his benefit without an inquiry under a commission of lunacy) for "£20,000" and "£2,000" there shall be substituted "£60,000" and "£6,000" respectively.

N. E. Leigh,
Clerk of the Privy Council.

(a) 1871 c.22; section 68 was amended by section 30 of the Administration of Justice Act 1977 (c.38).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order increases the financial limits in the jurisdiction of the High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland to make, without an inquiry under a commission of lunacy, an order (1) protecting the property or the income of a person who is incapable, by reason of mental disorder, of managing and administering his property and affairs, or (2) applying it for his benefit.

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