



# Social Security (Up-rating of Benefits) Act 2021

## 2021 CHAPTER 32

An Act to make provision relating to the up-rating of certain social security benefits payable in the tax year 2022-23. [17th November 2021]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

### **1 Up-rating of state pension and certain other benefits following review in tax year 2021-22**

- (1) In relation to the tax year ending with 5 April 2022, the amounts referred to in subsection (1) of section 150A of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (annual up-rating of basic pension etc and standard minimum guarantee) are to be reviewed as if that subsection required a review by reference to the general level of prices obtaining in Great Britain (instead of the general level of earnings obtaining in Great Britain).
- (2) In relation to the tax year ending with 5 April 2022, the other provisions of section 150A of that Act are to have effect as if—
  - (a) in subsection (2)—
    - (i) at the beginning there were inserted “Subject to subsection (2A),”;
    - (ii) for “earnings”, in both places it occurs, there were substituted “prices”;
  - (b) after subsection (2) there were inserted—

“(2A) Where it appears to the Secretary of State that—

    - (a) the percentage by which the general level of prices is greater at the end of the period under review than it was at the beginning of that period is less than 2.5%, or