STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 784

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) (Amendment) Regulations 2015

Made - - - -	*19th March 2015*
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Coming into force - -	*1st July 2015*

The Treasury makes the following Regulations with the concurrence of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 3(2) and (3) and 175(1), (1A), (3) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(**1**).

The Social Security Advisory Committee has agreed that the proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it(**2**).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) (Amendment) Regulations 2015 and come into force on 1st July 2015.

Amendment of the Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Regulations 1996

2.—(1) Regulation 9 of the Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Regulations 1996(**3**) (earnings of employed earners) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (3)(b), for "claimant's participation in a service user group" substitute "claimant participating as a service user".

(3) After paragraph (3) insert—

"(3A) The reference in paragraph (3)(b) to a claimant participating as a service user is to—

(a) a person who is being consulted by or on behalf of—

(**1**) 1992 c.4. Section 3(2) was amended and the power to make Regulations under that provision was transferred to the Treasury by paragraph 3 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) Act 1999 (c.2). Paragraph 29 of Schedule 3 to that Act amended paragraph (1) and inserted paragraph (1A) of section 175. Section 175(1A) was subsequently amended by Schedule 6 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c.21).

(**2**) See sections 172(1) and 173(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (c.5).

(**3**) S.I. 1996/2745; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2009/2678, 2010/671.