Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 190(1)(a) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992, section 166(10A) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 and section 23 of the Welfare Reform Act 2009, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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2010 No.

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Child Benefit Up-rating Order 2010

Made - - - -	***
Coming into force - -	*12th April 2010*

Following the carrying out a review in Great Britain of the sums specified in section 150(1)(a)(i) (rates of benefits, etc) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992(**1**) ("the Great Britain Administration Act") in the tax year ending with 5th April 2010, the Treasury have determined that the general level of prices was not greater at the end of the period under review than it was at the beginning.

In accordance with the discretion afforded by virtue of section 23 of the Welfare Reform Act 2009(**2**) ("the Reform Act") the Treasury considered it appropriate, having regard to the national economic situation and other matters they considered relevant, to lay a draft of the following Order before each House of Parliament which increases the rates of child benefit described in the Order.

Section 132(1) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(**3**) ("the Northern Ireland Administration Act") provides that, whenever the Treasury make an Order under section 150 of the Great Britain Administration Act, they may make corresponding provision in respect of Northern Ireland.

A draft of the following Order was laid before and has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament in accordance with section 190(1)(a) of the Great Britain Administration Act, section 166(10A) of the Northern Ireland Administration Act(**4**) and section 23 of the Reform Act.

Accordingly, the Treasury make the following Order in the exercise of the powers conferred by sections 150(9) and 189(4) of the Great Britain Administration Act and by sections 132(1) and 165(4) of the Northern Ireland Administration Act and now vested in them(**5**).

(**1**) 1992 c. 5.
(**2**) 2009 c. 24.
(**3**) 1992 c. 8.
(**4**) Subsection (10A) was inserted by paragraph 50(4) of Schedule 3 to the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/671) and amended by paragraph 11(3) of Schedule 4 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21) ("the Tax Credits Act").
(**5**) The functions of the Secretary of State in respect of child benefit under part 10 of the Great Britain Administration Act which are relevant to the making of this Order were transferred to the Treasury by section 49(3) of the Tax Credits Act. The functions of the Department for Social Development in respect of child benefit under section 132 of the Northern Ireland Administration Act which are relevant to the making of this Order were transferred to the Treasury by section 49(4) of the Tax Credits Act.