STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1999 No. 372

HOUSING

The Housing Benefit (General) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999

Made - - - -	*3rd September 1999*
Coming into operation	*6th September 1999*

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 1(1C) and 165(4) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(**1**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Housing Benefit (General) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999 and shall come into operation on 6th September 1999.

(2) In these Regulations "the principal Regulations" means the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(**2**).

(3) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**3**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Assembly.

Insertion of regulation 2B into the principal Regulations

2. Before regulation 3 of the principal Regulations (definition of non-dependant) there shall be inserted the following regulation—

> "**Cases in which section 1(1A) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 is disapplied**
>
> **2B.** Section 1(1A) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (requirement to state national insurance number) shall not apply to housing benefit in a case where the person making the claim for that benefit, or in respect of whom that benefit is claimed, is liable to make payments in respect of a dwelling which is a hostel.".

(**1**) 1992 c. 8; subsections (1A) to (1C) of section 1 were inserted by Article 18 of the Social Security Administration (Fraud) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 (S.I. 1997/1182 (N.I. 11))
(**2**) S.R. 1987 No. 461; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1996 No. 111
(**3**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)