STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1998 No. 348

HOUSING

The Housing Benefit (Recovery of Overpayments) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998

Made - - - -	*6th October 1998*
Coming into operation	*6th November 1998*

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 73(3) to (7) and 165(4) to (6) 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 (Recovery of Overpayments) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 and shall come into operation on 6th November 1998.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**2**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Assembly.

Amendment of the Housing Benefit (Recovery of Overpayments) Regulations

2. In regulation 3 of the Housing Benefit (Recovery of Overpayments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997(**3**) (restriction on recovery of rent and consequent notifications)—

(a) in paragraph (2) for "recovered" there shall be substituted "recoverable";

(b) in paragraph (3)—

(i) after the words "paragraph (2) applies" the first time they appear, there shall be inserted "or will apply when recovery is made,";

(ii) in sub-paragraph (*a*) for "was one" there shall be substituted "is or will be one".

(**1**) 1992 c. 8; subsections (5) to (7) were added to section 73 by Article 15 of the Social Security Administration (Fraud) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 (S.I.1997/1182 (N.I. 11))

(**2**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

(**3**) S.R. 1997 No. 454