STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1998 No. 262

EDUCATION

The Education (Student Loans) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998

Made - - - -	*24th July 1998*
Coming into operation	*1st August 1998*

The Department of Education, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 3(2) of and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 2 to the Education (Student Loans) (Northern Ireland) Order 1990(**1**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Education (Student Loans) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 and shall come into operation on 1st August 1998.

Amendment of the Education (Student Loans) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998

2. The Education (Student Loans) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 (**2**) shall be amended as follows—

(a) in regulation 3(1), in the definition of "accelerated course" the words following the words "of two academic years' duration" shall be deleted;

(b) in regulation 4, after paragraph (3) there shall be inserted the following paragraph—

"(4) For the purposes of paragraph (2)(*a*) and Schedule 1 if a person withdraws from a designated course ("the first course") provided by any institution with the agreement of that institution without completing the course and if, disregarding any intervening vacation, he immediately commences attending another designated course ('the second course') provided by the same or by a different institution the first day of the first course shall be regarded as the first day of the second course; or, as the case may be, as the first day of any subsequent course which the student has commenced attending in the same fashion."

(**1**) S.I. 1990/1506 (N.I. 11); as amended by S.I. 1996/274 (N.I. 1), Article 43 and Schedule 5 Part II, S.I. 1996/1918 (N.I. 15), Article 3 and the Schedule and S.I. 1998/258 (N.I. 1), Articles 3 to 6

(**2**) S.R. 1998 No. 58