STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 83

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

The Health and Personal Social Services (Assessment of Resources) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

Made - - - -	*8th March 1996*
Coming into operation	*8th April 1996*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 36(6) and 99(5) of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(**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 Health and Personal Social Services (Assessment of Resources) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 and shall come into operation on 8th April 1996.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Health and Personal Social Services (Assessment of Resources) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993(**2**).

Amendment of regulation 2 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 2(1) of the principal regulations (interpretation) after the definition of "mobility supplement" there shall be inserted the following definition—

> ""occupational pension" means any pension or other periodical payment under an occupational pension scheme but does not include any discretionary payment out of a fund established for relieving hardship in particular cases;".

Amendment in relation to capital limit

3. In regulation 20 (capital limit) for the words from "exceeds the amount" to the end there shall be substituted the words "exceeds £16,000."

(**1**) S.I.1972/1265 (N.I. 14); Article 36 was substituted by Article 25 of S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1), and then amended by paragraph 2(4) and (5) of Schedule 1 to S.I. 1992/3204 (N.I. 20); and Article 99 was substituted by Article 27 of S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1)

(**2**) S.R. 1993 No. 127, as amended by S.R. 1993 No. 234, S.R. 1993 No. 438, Schedule 5 to S.R. 1994 No. 65, S.R. 1994 No. 160, and S.R. 1995 No. 286