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HOUSING; RATES; SOCIAL SECURITY

The Income-Related Benefits (Widows' etc. Pensions Disregards) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995

Made . . . . . *19th December 1995*

Coming into operation . . *20th December 1995*

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 122(1) and 132(4)(*a*) and (*b*) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, with the consent of the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland(**b**) in so far as relates to regulation 2(1)(*c*) and (2) of these Regulations and after agreement by the Social Security Advisory Committee that proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it(**c**), hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Income-Related Benefits (Widows' etc. Pensions Disregards) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 and shall come into operation on 20th December 1995.

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

Amendment of widows' pensions disregards in the income-related benefits

2.—(1) In this regulation "the relevant provisions" means—

(*a*) regulation 42(4)(*a*)(i) of the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(**e**) (notional income);

(*b*) paragraph 16(*c*) of Schedule 9 to the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings);

(**a**) 1992 c. 7

(**b**) *See* section 171(6A) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 as inserted by Article 3(3) of the Social Security (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 (S.I. 1993/1579 (N.I. 8))

(**c**) *See* section 150(1)(*b*) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (1992 c. 8)

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

(**e**) S.R. 1987 No. 459; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1988 No. 318, S.R. 1990 No. 33, S.R. 1991 No. 204, S.R. 1992 No. 201, S.R. 1993 Nos. 195 and 233, S.R. 1994 No. 77 and S.R. 1995 No. 410