1979 No. 358

RATES

Rate Rebate (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1979

Made . . . . . *8th October* 1979

Coming into operation . . . *12th November* 1979

To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) *of Schedule* 1 *to the Northern Ireland Act* 1974

The Department of Finance, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 28 of the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1977(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Rate Rebate (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1979 and shall come into operation on 12th November 1979.

(2) In this Order "the Rate Rebate Scheme" means the scheme set out in the Schedule to the Rate Rebate Order (Northern Ireland) 1974(**b**).

Eligibility

2.—(1) In the Rate Rebate Scheme in paragraph 2(1)(*b*) for the word "mainly" there shall be substituted the word "partly".

(2) The following head shall be added at the end of paragraph 2(1) of the Rate Rebate Scheme:

"(*d*) a person who resides or is usually resident in such premises as are mentioned in sub-paragraph 1(*a*) and is not the occupier of the hereditament which consists of or includes the premises but—

(i) pays the rates chargeable in respect of the hereditament for the rebate period concerned; and

(ii) is the spouse or former spouse of a person who is the occupier of the hereditament but does not reside and is not usually resident there".

Needs allowances

3.—(1) For paragraph 5 of the Rate Rebate Scheme there shall be substituted the following paragraph:

"**5.**—(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), the needs allowance for each week is:

(*a*) for an individual person who has no dependent children £31.05

(*b*) for a married couple £45.55

(**a**) S.I. 1977/2157 (N.I. 28)

(**b**) S.R. 1974 No. 65 (I, p. 187) as amended by S.R. 1974 No. 200 (I, p. 885); S.R. 1975 No. 42 (I, p. 193); S.R. 1975 No. 284 (II, p. 1371); S.R. 1976 No. 54 (I, p. 303); S.R. 1976 No. 302 (II, p. 1508); S.R. 1977 No. 281 (II, p. 1537); S.R. 1978 No. 32; S.R. 1978 No. 297