1969. No. 207 [NC]

NATIONAL INSURANCE AND INDUSTRIAL INJURIES

Commencement Order (Northern Ireland) 1969

ORDER, DATED 31ST JULY 1969, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE &c. (No. 2) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1969.

Whereas it is provided by paragraph 1 of Schedule 6 to the National Insurance &c. (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 1969(a) that the provisions of that Act (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1969") except section 8 (and sections 9 and 11 so far as they have effect for the purposes of section 8) shall not come into force until such date or dates as the Minister of Health and Social Services may by order appoint:

Now, therefore, I, the Right Honourable William Kennedy Fitzsimmons, Minister of Health and Social Services, hereby make the following order:

1. Subject to the provisions of Article 2, the date appointed for the coming into force of any provision of the Act of 1969 specified in column 1 of the Schedule, so far as that provision relates to any subject matter specified in column 2 of that Schedule, shall be the date specified in column 3 thereof in relation to that subject matter.

2.—(1) As respects the period beginning with 3rd November 1969 and ending with 5th November 1969, the rate of a person's unemployment or sickness benefit for any day in that period by virtue of section 18(3) of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(b) (which relates to unemployment and sickness benefit for persons over pensionable age and regulates the rate of benefit in such cases by reference to the rate of retirement pension) shall be determined as if the day appointed for the coming into force of the provisions of the said Act of 1969 relating to higher rates of retirement pension under the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 were 6th November 1969.

(2) In the case of a person to whom injury benefit under the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(c) is payable for 5th November 1969 at a reduced weekly rate by virtue of the provisions of section 29 of that Act (which relates to adjustments for successive accidents), the rate of that injury benefit and of any sickness benefit payable under the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 shall be determined as if the day appointed for the coming into force of the provisions of the Act of 1969 relating to higher rates of those benefits were 5th November 1969 and, where appropriate, as if the reference to 6th November 1969 in paragraph (1) were a reference to 5th November 1969.

3. This order may be cited as the National Insurance and Industrial Injuries (Commencement) Order (Northern Ireland) 1969.

Given under my hand this 31st day of July 1969.

W. K. Fitzsimmons,
Minister.

(a) 1969, c. 19 (N.I.).
(b) 1966, c. 6 (N.I.).
(c) 1966, c. 9 (N.I.).