STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2022 No. 172

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Income-Related Benefits (Local Welfare Provision Disregard) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2022

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Coming into operation 4th May 2022

The Department for Communities(1) makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 122(1)(a) and (d), 132(3) and (4)(b), 132A(3) and 171(1), (3) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(2), Articles 14(1) and (4) (b) and 36(1) and (2) of the Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(3), sections 15(3) and (6)(b) and 19(1) to (3) of the State Pension Credit Act (Northern Ireland) 2002(4), and now vested in it(5), sections 17(1) and (3)(b) and 25(1) and (2) of the Welfare Reform Act (Northern Ireland) 2007(6) and Article 48(1) and (2) of, and paragraph 4(1) and (3)(a) of Schedule 1 to, the Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015(7).

The Powers are exercisable by the Department for Communities by virtue of Article 2 the Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015 (Cessation of Transitory Provision) Order 2020(8).

Regulations 5 and 6 are made with the consent of the Department of Finance(9).

Proposals in respect of these Regulations were not referred to the Social Security Advisory Committee since it appeared to the Department for Communities that by reason of the urgency of the matter it was expedient not to do so(10).

⁽¹⁾ The Department for Social Development was renamed the Department for Communities in accordance with section 1(7) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c. 5 (N.I.))

^{(2) 1992} c. 7; section 132A was inserted by paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 to the State Pension Credit Act (Northern Ireland) 2002 (c. 14 (N.I.)) and section 171(1) was amended by paragraph 5 of Schedule 4 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21)

⁽³⁾ S.I. 1995/2705 (N.I. 15); Article 36(2) was amended by paragraph 55 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/671)

^{(4) 2002} c. 14 (N.L.)

⁽⁵⁾ See Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481

^{(6) 2007} c. 2 (N.I.); section 25(2) was amended by Article 57(2)(b) of the Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I. 1))

⁽⁷⁾ S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I. 1)

⁽⁸⁾ S.I 2020/927

⁽⁹⁾ 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)); see also Article 6(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481 and section 1(4) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016

⁽¹⁰⁾ See sections 149(2) and 150(1)(a) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (c. 8)