STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 781

PUBLIC SERVICE PENSIONS

The Judicial Pensions and Fee-Paid Judges' Pension Schemes (Amendment) Regulations 2019

Made	-	-	-	-		28th March 2019
Coming	into	force	2	-	-	1st April 2019

The Lord Chancellor in relation to judicial offices for which he is the appropriate Minister within the meaning of section 30 of the Judicial Pensions and Retirement Act 1993(1) ("the 1993 Act"), and the Secretary of State in relation to judicial offices for which he is the appropriate Minister within the meaning of that section, make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 18A of the 1993 Act(2).

The Lord Chancellor also makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of, and paragraph 9 of Schedule 3 to, the Public Service Pensions Act 2013(3) ("the 2013 Act").

In accordance with section 22(2)(a) of the 2013 Act, the Lord Chancellor has consulted representatives of such persons as appear to him likely to be affected by these Regulations with a view to reaching agreement with them. In accordance with paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the 2013 Act the Lord Chancellor has consulted the Secretary of State.

In accordance with section 22(2)(b) of the 2013 Act, the Lord Chancellor has laid a report before Parliament.

In accordance with section 3(5) of the 2013 Act these Regulations are made with the consent of the Treasury.

In accordance with section 29(2A) of the 1993 Act(4) and section 24(1)(c) of the 2013 Act, a draft of this instrument has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Judicial Pensions and Fee-Paid Judges' Pension Schemes (Amendment) Regulations 2019.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 1st April 2019.

^{(1) 1993} c. 8.

⁽²⁾ Section 18A was inserted by section 78(1) of the Pension Schemes Act 2015 (c. 8).

⁽**3**) 2013 c. 25.

 ⁽⁴⁾ Subsection (2A) was inserted into section 29 by section 78(2) of, and paragraphs 4, 8(1) and (2) of Schedule 5 to the Pension Schemes Act 2015.

Amendment to the Judicial Pensions Regulations 2015

2.—(1) The Judicial Pensions Regulations 2015(5) are amended in accordance with paragraph (2).

(2) In the heading to the final table in regulation 124 (rate of member contributions), after "31st March 2019" insert "and Scheme Year 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020".

Amendment to the Judicial Pensions (Fee-Paid Judges) Regulations 2017

3.—(1) The Judicial Pensions (Fee-Paid Judges) Regulations 2017(6) are amended in accordance with paragraph (2).

(2) In regulation 63(2) (contribution rates for fee years), after "31st March 2019" insert "and the fee year 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020".

We consent to the making of these Regulations

Paul Maynard Rebecca Harris Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

25th March 2019

Signed by authority of the Lord Chancellor

28th March 2019

Lucy Frazer Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Ministry of Justice

Signed by the Secretary of State for Scotland

David Mundell Secretary of State Scotland Office

27th March 2019

⁽⁵⁾ S.I. 2015/182.

⁽⁶⁾ S.I. 2017/522.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The Judicial Pensions Regulations 2015 and the Judicial Pensions (Fee-Paid Judges) Regulations 2017 make provision for the contributions payable by members of the schemes constituted by those Regulations up to 31st March 2019.

These Regulations provide for the contribution rates applicable in the scheme year ending on that date to also apply for the following year. Since these Regulations involve a change to a protected element of the scheme constituted by the Judicial Pensions Regulations 2015, the Lord Chancellor has consulted representatives of those likely to be affected by the change with a view to reaching agreement with them and has laid a report before Parliament as required by section 22 of the Public Service Pensions Act 2013.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.