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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1998 No. 1587**

**PUBLIC HEALTH, ENGLAND AND WALES  
PUBLIC HEALTH, SCOTLAND  
PUBLIC HEALTH, NORTHERN IRELAND**

**The Vaccine Damage Payments Act  
1979 Statutory Sum Order 1998**

*Made* - - - - *30th June 1998*  
*Coming into force* - - *1st July 1998*

Whereas a draft of the following Order was laid before Parliament in accordance with section 1 (4A) of the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979(1) and was approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State for Social Security with the consent of the Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 1 (1A) of the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979 and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979 Statutory Sum Order 1998 and shall come into force on the day after the day on which it is made.

**Statutory sum for the purposes of the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979**

2. For the purposes of section 1 (1A) of the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979 the statutory sum is £40,000.

**Revocation**

3. The Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979 Statutory Sum Order 1991(2) is hereby revoked.

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(1) 1979 c. 17; section 1 was amended by section 23 of the Social Security Act 1985 (c. 53).  
(2) S.I.1991/939.

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**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Security.

30th June 1998

*Patricia Hollis*  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,  
Department of Social Security

We consent,

30th June 1998

*Bob Ainsworth*  
*John McFall*  
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her  
Majesty's Treasury

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order increases from £30,000 to £40,000 the sum which is payable under section 1(1) of the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979 where the Secretary of State is satisfied that a person in respect of whom a claim for payment is first made on or after the date of this Order coming into force is, or was immediately before his death, severely disabled as a result of vaccination against any disease to which that Act applies. Article 3 contains a revocation consequent upon the coming into force of this Order.

This Order does not impose a charge on business.