

SCHEDULES

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Minor and consequential amendments

PART 1

Amendments of primary legislation

The Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

20.—(1) Section 167ZLA (entitlement: prospective adopters with whom looked after children are placed) is amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (1)—

- (a) omit “who is looked after by an authority and”;
- (b) for “the authority” substitute “an authority”;
- (c) for “Article 27(2)(a)” substitute “Article 27”;
- (d) omit “, in the circumstances mentioned in paragraph (2),”
- (e) for “an approved foster parent who is also an approved prospective adopter” substitute “a person who is approved as an authority foster parent and approved as a prospective adopter”.

(3) Omit subsection (2).

(4) In subsection (3)—

- (a) for “as if the following references or definitions were such references or definitions as may be prescribed” substitute “with the following modifications”;
- (b) in paragraph (a) at the end add “is to be treated as a reference to the child being placed under Article 27 in that manner”;
- (c) in paragraph (b) at the end add “is to be treated as a reference to the week in which the prospective adopter is notified that the child is to be, or is expected to be, placed with the prospective adopter under Article 27”;
- (d) in paragraph (c) at the end add “is to be treated as a reference to placement, or expected placement, under Article 27”.

(5) In subsection (4) for “as mentioned in subsection (1)” substitute “under Article 27 of the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995”.

- (6) In subsection (5)—
- (a) for ““approved foster parent”, “approved prospective adopter”,” substitute ““approved as an authority foster parent”, “approved as a prospective adopter” and”;
 - (b) omit “and “child who is looked after by an authority””.