Draft Order laid before Parliament under sections 150(2) and 190(1)(a) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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SOCIAL SECURITY TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2004

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Whereas, the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions having made a review under section 150(1) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992(1), it appeared to him that the general level of prices was greater at the end of the period under review than it was at the beginning of that period, and whereas a draft of the following Order was laid before Parliament in accordance with the provisions of sections 150(2) and 190(1)(a) of that Act and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament;

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with the consent of the Treasury(2), in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 150(3), 151 and 189(1), (4) and (5) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

^{(1) 1992} c. 5 ("the Administration Act"). Section 150 was amended by paragraph 28 of Schedule 8 to the Pension Schemes Act1993 (c. 48) ("the 1993 Act"), sections 2(3) and 9(4) of the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Act 1994 (c. 18) ("the 1994 Act"), paragraph 64 of Schedule 2 to the Jobseekers Act 1995 (c. 18) ("the 1995 Act"), section 131(2) of the Pensions Act 1995 (c. 26), paragraph 24 of Schedule 12 to the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (c. 30) ("the 1999 Act"), paragraph 16 of Schedule 2 to the State Pension Credit Act 2002 (c. 16) and paragraph 14 of Schedule 7 to the Employment Act 2002 (c. 22). See also section 4(8) of the 1994 Act and regulation 18(3) of the Social Security (Incapacity Benefit) (Transitional) Regulations 1995 (S.I.1995/310).

⁽²⁾ See section 189(8) of the Administration Act.

⁽³⁾ The functions of the Secretary of State under section 150, so far as relating to child benefit and guardian's allowance, were transferred to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue by section 50(1) of the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21).