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**2015 No.**

**The Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015**

**PART 7**

**Miscellaneous**

*Child support maintenance*

**Collection of child support maintenance**

**127.**—(1) The Child Support (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 is amended as follows.

(2) In Article 7 (child support maintenance)—

- (a) in paragraph (2), the words from “or” to “made” are repealed;
- (b) after paragraph (2) insert—

“(2A) The Department may only make arrangements under paragraph (2)(a) if—

- (a) the non-resident parent agrees to the arrangements, or
- (b) the Department is satisfied that without the arrangements child support maintenance is unlikely to be paid in accordance with the calculation.”

(3) In Article 29 (collection of child support maintenance), in paragraph (1) after “may” insert “(subject to Article 7(2A))”.