

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

## **1992 CHAPTER 7**

#### PART VII

#### **INCOME-RELATED BENEFITS**

### Housing benefit

# 129 Housing benefit.

- (1) A person is entitled to housing benefit if—
  - (a) he is liable to make payments in respect of a dwelling in Northern Ireland which he occupies as his home;
  - (b) there is an appropriate maximum housing benefit in his case; and
  - (c) either—
    - (i) he has no income or his income does not exceed the applicable amount; or
    - (ii) his income exceeds that amount, but only by so much that there is an amount remaining if the deduction for which subsection (3)(b) below provides is made.
- (2) In subsection (1) above "payments in respect of a dwelling" means such payments as may be prescribed, but the power to prescribe payments does not include power to prescribe mortgage payments.
- (3) Where a person is entitled to housing benefit, then—
  - (a) if he has no income or his income does not exceed the applicable amount, the amount of the housing benefit shall be the amount which is the appropriate maximum housing benefit in his case; and
  - (b) if his income exceeds the applicable amount, the amount of the housing benefit shall be what remains after the deduction from the appropriate maximum

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housing benefit of prescribed percentages of the excess of his income over the applicable amount.

(4) Regulations shall prescribe the manner in which the appropriate maximum housing benefit is to be determined in any case.

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