

## Pension Schemes Act 1993

#### **1993 CHAPTER 48**

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- (1) Where the earnings paid to or for the benefit of an earner in any tax week are in respect of an employment which is contracted-out employment at the time of the payment, the amount of a Class 1 contribution in respect of so much of the earnings paid in that week as exceeds the current lower earnings limit but not the current upper earnings limit for that week (or the prescribed equivalents if he is paid otherwise than weekly) shall be reduced—
  - (a) in the case of a primary Class 1 contribution, by an amount equal to 1.8 per cent. of that part of those earnings; and
  - (b) in the case of a secondary Class 1 contribution, by an amount equal to 3 per cent. of that part of those earnings.

### (2) Where—

- (a) an earner has ceased to be employed in an employment; and
- (b) earnings are paid to him or for his benefit within the period of 6 weeks, or such other period as may be prescribed, from the day on which he so ceased,

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that employment shall be treated for the purposes of subsection (1) as contractedout employment at the time when the earnings are paid if it was contracted-out employment in relation to the earner when he was last employed in it.

(3) This section shall not affect the amount of any primary Class 1 contribution which is payable at a reduced rate by virtue of regulations under section 19(4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (reduced rates for married women and widows).