



Pension Schemes (Northern Ireland) Act 1993

1993 CHAPTER 49

PART X

INVESTIGATIONS: THE PENSIONS OMBUDSMAN

145 Procedure on an investigation.

- (1) Where the Pensions Ombudsman proposes to conduct an investigation into a complaint made or dispute referred under this Part, he shall give—
 - (a) the trustees and managers of the scheme concerned, and
 - (b) any other person against whom allegations are made in the complaint or reference,an opportunity to comment on any allegations contained in the complaint or reference.
- (2) The Department may make rules with respect to the procedure which is to be adopted in connection with the making of complaints, the reference of disputes, and the investigation of complaints made and disputes referred, under this Part.
- (3) The rules may include provision—
 - (a) requiring any oral hearing held in connection with such an investigation to take place in public, except in such cases as may be specified in the rules; ^[F1]and
 - (b) as to the persons entitled to appear and be heard on behalf of parties to an investigation, as defined in section 144(4) ^[F2]and].^[F2](c) for the payment by the Pensions Ombudsman of such travelling and other allowances (including compensation for loss of remunerative time) as the Department may determine, to—
 - (i) actual or potential beneficiaries of a scheme to which a complaint or reference relates, or
 - (ii) persons appearing and being heard on behalf of such actual or potential beneficiaries, who attend at the request of the Pensions

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- (4) Subject to any provision made by the rules, the procedure for conducting such an investigation shall be such as the Pensions Ombudsman considers appropriate in the circumstances of the case; and he may in particular obtain information from such persons and in such manner, and make such inquiries, as he thinks fit.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Word in s. 145(3)(a) omitted (23.7.1996 for certain purposes otherwise *prosp.*) by S.I. 1995/3213 (N.I. 22), arts. 1(2), 154(b); S.R. 1996/307, art. 2(b), **Sch. Pt. II** and is repealed (*prosp.*) by S.I. 1995/3213 (N.I. 22), arts. 1(2), 68, **Sch. 5 Pt. IV**
- F2** S. 145(3)(c) and the preceding word “and” inserted (23.7.1996 for certain purpose only otherwise *prosp.*) by S.I. 1995/3213 (N.I. 22), arts. 1(2), 154(a); S.R. 1996/307, art. 2(b), **Sch. Pt. II**

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