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EXPLANATORY NOTE

These Rules, which revoke and replace the Rules specified in the Schedule, provide for pensions and other benefits to be paid in respect of persons who have been employed in two or more public offices (as defined in section 39 of the Superannuation Act 1965).

Part I of the rules relates to retiring awards. Provision is made for the award of a single aggregated pension in respect of service in two or more public offices with similar pension schemes, and for the award of separate pensions in respect of service in public offices with dissimilar schemes. The Rules provide for the apportionment of the cost of single aggregate pensions among the pension schemes concerned.

Part II of the Rules deals with widows', children's and dependants' pensions. Where there has been service in two or more public offices under the Superannuation Act 1965 or a scheme containing similar provisions, the Rules provide for the aggregation of service in such public offices for the purpose of calculating the amount of the pensions.

Part III contains provisions for the payment of death gratuities, and for the payment of transfer values and the aggregation of public office service in cases where a person transfers with his pension rights to other employment.

Under the powers conferred by section 38(4) of the Superannuation Act 1965 the Rules apply to person who have transferred from one public office to another before the date of the making of the Rules (Rule 14).