STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1981 No. 1101

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Claims and Payments) Amendment **Regulations 1981**

Made	31st July 1981
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Coming into Operation	10th August 1981

The Secretary of State for Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred by section 79(3) of the Social Security Act 1975(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, without having referred any proposal on the matter to the Social Security Advisory Committee since it appears to him that by reason of urgency it is inexpedient to do so(b), hereby makes the following regulations:-

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1981 and shall come into operation on 10th August 1981.
- (2) In these regulations, "the principal regulations" means the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1979(c).

Amendment of regulation 12 of the principal regulations

- 2.—(1) The following amendments are made to regulation 12(3) of the principal regulations (claims for unemployment benefit treated in abnormal circumstances as covering extended periods).
- (2) In sub-paragraph(a) the words ", to be specified in his decision," are deleted and for "13" there is substituted "26".
- (3) After sub-paragraph(a) there is inserted the following new subparagraph -
 - "(aa) where a claim has been treated as extended under sub-paragraph(a) an insurance officer may subsequently treat the period of claim as further extended but no claim shall be extended under this paragraph beyond 26 weeks from the date on which it was made;".
 - (4) For sub-paragraph(b) there is substituted—
 - "(b) on any claim treated as extended under sub-paragraph(a) or (aa) benefit may be awarded for a period, not exceeding 13 weeks, constituting the whole or part of the extended period;".

⁽a) 1975 c. 14.

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(b) See Social Security Act 1980 (c. 30), section 10(2)(a).

(c) S.I. 1979/628; the only relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1979/781.

(5) In sub-paragraph (c) for the words from "the specified period" to the end there is substituted—

"the extended period, further awards may be made under sub-paragraph(b);".

Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services.

31st July 1981.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations, which amend regulation 12(3) of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1979, come into operation on 10th August 1981. They extend from 13 to 26 weeks the period which claims for unemployment benefit may be treated as covering where the Secretary of State has issued a certificate concerning abnormal circumstances affecting the claiming, awarding or payment of benefit.

The Regulations will be referred to the Social Security Advisory Committee under subsection (7) of section 10 of the Social Security Act 1980 unless the Committee agrees that the subsection shall not apply.

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