STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1996 No. 712

## SOCIAL SECURITY

The Council Tax (Deductions from Income Support) Regulations 1993 Amendment Order 1996

Made	11th March 1996
Laid before Parliament	11th March 1996
Coming into force	1st April 1996

The Secretary of State for Social Security, in exercise of the power conferred by section 181(1) and (2) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994(1), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

#### **Citation and commencement**

**1.** This Order may be cited as the Council Tax (Deductions from Income Support) Regulations 1993 Amendment Order 1996, and shall come into force on 1st April 1996.

#### Amendment of the Council Tax (Deductions from Income Support) Regulations 1993

**2.** In relation only to Scotland, regulation 3 of the Council Tax (Deductions from Income Support) Regulations 1993(**2**) is amended by inserting after the words "Schedule 8 to the Local Government Finance Act" the words "or by virtue of an order made under section 79 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994".

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Security.

Roger Evans Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department of Social Security

11th March 1996

(1) 1994 c. 39.

<sup>(2)</sup> S.I.1993/494. The relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1993/2113.

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

Regulation 3 of the Council Tax (Deductions from Income Support) Regulations 1993 makes provision whereby, in Scotland, arrears of council tax and water charges may be recovered by deductions from income support. From 1st April 1996 local authorities in Scotland will cease to be water authorities, their functions in that respect being taken over by new authorities established by the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994. However, by virtue of an order made under section 79 of that Act, local authorities will continue for the time being to collect water charges on behalf of the new authorities. This Order amends the 1993 Regulations so as to enable arrears of water charges to continue to be recoverable by means of deductions from income support.