EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings certain provisions of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 into force on 1st February 1999 and 10th March 1999 respectively.

The provisions brought into force on 1st February 1999 are section 129, which substitutes a new section 518 in the Education Act 1996, relating to the payment of school expenses and the grant of schoolarships to persons over compulsory school age; section 137 and Schedule 29, which amend section 198 of, and Schedule 10 to, the Education Reform Act 1988, relating to the functions of the Education Transfer Council; paragraph 30 of Schedule 16, paragraphs 1(1) and 27(3) of Schedule 17 and sections 54 and 55 to the extent that they relate to these provisions, which enable the Secretary of State to make regulations concerning the employment of school meals staff; paragraph 48 of Schedule 30, which amends section 3 of the Charities Act 1993 (c. 10); paragraph 125 of Schedule 30, which amends section 484 of the Education Act 1996; paragraph 126 of Schedule 30 which amends section 578 of the Education Act 1996.

The provisions brought into force on 10th March 1999 repeal certain provisions in the Education Act 1996 relating to the grouping of two or more schools under one governing body.

The Order also contains transitional and savings provisions relating to sections 129 and 137 of the Education Act 1998 and sections 90, 92 and 95 of the Education Act 1996.