STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2000 No. 2194

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Jobseeker's Allowance (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2000

Made - - - - 28th July 2000

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Coming into force - - 11th September 2000

The Secretary of State for Education and Employment, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 8(1) and (2) and 35(1) of the Jobseekers Act 1995(a), and after agreement by the Social Security Advisory Committee that proposals in respect of these Regulations need not be referred to it(b), hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Jobseeker's Allowance (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2000 and shall come into force on 11th September 2000.

Amendment of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations

- **2.**—(1) The Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996(c) shall be amended in accordance with the following paragraphs of this regulation.
 - (2) For regulation 23 (attendance) there shall be substituted the following regulation—
 - "A claimant shall attend at such place and at such time as an employment officer may specify by a notification which is given or sent to the claimant and which may be in writing, by telephone or by electronic means."
- (3) In regulation 24(8) and (10) (provision of information and evidence) for the word "notice" there shall be substituted the word "notification".
- (4) In regulation 25 (entitlement ceasing on a failure to comply) for the word "notice", in each place where it appears, there shall be substituted the word "notification".

⁽a) 1995 c. 18; section 8 was amended by section 70 of, and paragraph 29(3) of Schedule 8 to, the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (c. 30); section 35(1) is an interpretation provision and is cited because of the meaning ascribed to the words "prescribed" and "regulations".

⁽b) See sections 170 and 173(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (c. 5); paragraph 67 of Schedule 2 to the Jobseekers Act 1995 added that Act to the list of "relevant enactments" in respect of which regulations must normally be referred to the Committee.

⁽c) S.I. 1996/207; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1996/1516; 1996/1517; 1999/530 and 1999/3108.

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(5) In each of regulations 26, 27(1), 28(1) and 30 for the word "notice" there shall be substituted the word "notification".

28th July 2000

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996 (S.I. 1996/207).

In particular, they remove the requirement that an employment officer must specify in writing the place and time at which a claimant of a jobseeker's allowance may be required to attend. The regulations provide that a claimant may be summoned by telephone or by electronic means, as well as by a written summons.

