STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2001 No. 488

The Social Security (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2001

Amendment of regulation 6 of the Income Support Regulations

- **4.** In regulation 6 of the Income Support Regulations (persons not treated as engaged in remunerative work), after paragraph (4)(1) there shall be added the following paragraphs—
 - "(5) A person shall not be treated as engaged in remunerative work for the period specified in paragraph (6) in so far as—
 - (a) he or his partner is engaged in work which-
 - (i) is remunerative work; and
 - (ii) he, or his partner, is expected to be engaged in for a period of no less than five weeks;
 - (b) he or his partner had, for a continuous period of 26 weeks ending on the day before the day on which he commenced the work referred to in sub-paragraph (a), been entitled to and in receipt of income support or an income-based jobseeker's allowance:
 - (c) he or his partner had, as at the day before the day on which he commenced the work referred to in sub-paragraph (a), an applicable amount which included—
 - (i) an amount determined in accordance with Schedule 3 (housing costs) as applicable to him in respect of a loan which qualifies under paragraph 15 or 16 of that Schedule; or
 - (ii) an amount determined in accordance with Schedule 2 to the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996 (housing costs) as applicable to him in respect of a loan which qualifies under paragraph 14 or 15 of that Schedule; and
 - (d) he or his partner remain liable to make payments on such a loan.
 - (6) A person referred to in paragraph (5) shall not be treated as engaged in remunerative work for—
 - (a) the period of four weeks commencing with the day on which he was first engaged in the work referred to in sub-paragraph (a) of that paragraph; or
 - (b) in the case of a person to whom paragraph (2) applies, a period of two weeks commencing with the day after the end of the 14 day period specified in paragraph (3).
 - (7) In calculating the period of benefit entitlement referred to in paragraph (2)(b) or (5) (b), no account shall be taken of entitlement arising by virtue of paragraph (3) or (6).
 - (8) In paragraph (5), a reference to the claimant or his partner being entitled to and in receipt of an income-based jobseeker's allowance or to an amount being applicable to either of them under the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996 shall include a reference

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to the claimant and his partner being entitled to, and in receipt of, a joint-claim jobseeker's allowance and to an amount being applicable to that couple under those Regulations.".