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The Student Fees (Inflation Index) Regulations 2006

Made - - - - *27th February 2006*

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The Secretary of State for Education and Skills makes the following Regulations, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 26(3) and 47 of the Higher Education Act 2004 (a).

Citation and Commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Student Fees (Inflation Index) Regulations 2006 and come into force on 31st March 2006.

Inflation Index

2. The index of prices to which the Secretary of State is required by section 26(3) of the 2004 Act to have regard in satisfying herself that any increase to the basic and higher amounts is no greater than is required to maintain the value of the amount in real terms, is the All Items Retail Prices Index Excluding Mortgage Interest Repayments published by the Office of National Statistics.

27th February 2006

Bill Rammell
Minister of State
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(a) 2004, c. 8; sections 23 and 24 were amended by the Education Act 2005 (c.18) section 98 and Schedule 14.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Section 26(3) of the Higher Education Act 2004 enables the Secretary of State to specify an index of prices to which she must have regard in deciding whether any increase in the basic and higher tuition fee amounts is no greater than required to maintain the value of the amounts in real terms. These Regulations set out that index. The index is published by the Office of National Statistics and may be found on its website at www.statistics.gov.uk/instantfigures.asp.

The basic and higher tuition fee amounts are prescribed by the Student Fees (Amounts) (England) Regulations 2004 S.I. 2004/1932.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business.

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