EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes amendments to various provisions of subordinate legislation. The amendments are consequential upon the coming into force of section 61 of the Welfare Reform Act 2007. Section 61 amends the Disability (Grants) Act 1993 to enable the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions to make grants to the Independent Living Fund (2006). From 1st October 2007, the Independent Living Fund (2006) will operate in place of the Independent Living (Extension) Fund and the Independent Living (1993) Fund.

This Order provides that, in matters of social security, child support, tax credits and housing, payments from the Independent Living Fund (2006) will be treated in the same way as payments from the Independent Living (Extension) Fund and the Independent Living (1993) Fund. The amendments to subordinate legislation insert a new definition of "Independent Living Fund (2006)" and include this fund in the definition of "the Independent Living Funds" or where necessary add this fund to those already contained in the substantive provisions.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this Order as it has no impact on the costs of business, charities or the voluntary sector.