STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No. 839

GENDER RECOGNITION

The Gender Recognition (Application Fees) (Amendment) Order 2007

Made - - - - 13th March 2007

Laid before Parliament 14th March 2007

Coming into force - - 6th April 2007

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 7(2) and 24(1) of the Gender Recognition Act 2004(1), makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Gender Recognition (Application Fees) (Amendment) Order 2007 and comes into force on 6th April 2007.

Amendments to the Gender Recognition (Application Fees) Order 2006

- 2. The Gender Recognition (Application Fees) Order 2006(2) is amended as follows.
- 3. In article 2 (application fees), in the first column of the table (relevant income of applicant)—
- (1) in the first entry, for "£23,185" substitute "£24,019", and
- (2) for the second entry substitute "Greater than £16,017 but not greater than £24,019".
- **4.** In article 3 (circumstances in which no fee is payable), in paragraph (a)(ii), for "£15,460" substitute "£16,017".
- **5.** In article 5 (definition of qualifying benefit), in paragraph (b), for "£15,460" substitute "£16,017".

Transitional provision

6. This Order does not apply in relation to applications made before 6th April 2007.

^{(1) 2004} c.7; section 7 was amended by the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c.33), section 250.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2006/758.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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13th March 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Section 7(2) of the Gender Recognition Act 2004 (c.7) ("the Act") provides that fees are payable for certain applications to a Gender Recognition Panel under the Act. The Gender Recognition (Application Fees) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/758) ("the Fees Order") prescribes the level of those fees and the circumstances in which no fee is payable. Two levels of fee are prescribed, depending on the income of the applicant. This Order, which comes into force on 6th April 2007 in relation to applications made on or after that date, amends the Fees Order to increase those income thresholds. It raises the income above which a fee of £30 becomes payable from £15,460 to £16,017, and raises the income above which a fee of £140 becomes payable from £23,185 to £24,019.