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PART 2

BENEFITS FOR OFFICERS

CHAPTER 2.D

MEMBERS' RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Allocation

2.D.19 Procedure for election under regulation 2.D.18

- (1) An election under regulation 2.D.18 in respect of a member's pension must be made—
 - (a) at the time when the member claims the pension or, if the member does not become entitled to the pension at that time, when the member does become so entitled, or
 - (b) if the member is in pensionable service after reaching the age of 65, at any time after reaching that age and before reaching the age of 75.
- (2) The election must be made by giving notice in writing to the Secretary of State.
- (3) The notice must be in such form and contain such information as the Secretary of State requires.
- (4) Subject to paragraphs (6) and (7), an election under regulation 2.D.18 takes effect once it has been accepted by the Secretary of State.
 - (5) The election may not be withdrawn, amended or revoked after it has taken effect.
 - (6) The election does not take effect if—
 - (a) the member or the person in whose favour the election was made ("the beneficiary") dies on or before the day on which the Secretary of State accepts it, or
 - (b) the Secretary of State is not satisfied that at the time when the election is made the member is in good health.
- (7) The election is treated as not having taken effect if the beneficiary dies before the member is notified in writing that the Secretary of State has accepted the election.