STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 443

The Social Security (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2013

Amendments to the State Pension Credit Regulations 2002

- **6.**—(1) The State Pension Credit Regulations 2002(1) are amended as follows.
- (2) After the definition of "the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations" in regulation 1(2) (interpretation), insert—

""local welfare provision" means occasional financial or other assistance given by a local authority, the Scottish Ministers or the Welsh Ministers, or a person authorised to exercise any function of, or provide a service to, them, to or in respect of individuals for the purpose of—

- (a) meeting, or helping to meet, an immediate short term need—
 - (i) arising out of an exceptional event, or exceptional circumstances; and
 - (ii) that requires to be met in order to avoid a risk to the well-being of an individual; or
- (b) enabling individuals to establish or maintain a settled home, where those individuals have been or, without the assistance, might otherwise be—
 - (i) in prison, hospital, a residential care establishment or other institution; or
 - (ii) homeless or otherwise living an unsettled way of life;".
- (3) In Schedule 2 (housing costs)—
 - (a) in paragraph 4(7)(c)(ii)(2) (circumstances in which a person is to be treated as occupying a dwelling as his home), after "pending", insert "local welfare provision or"; and
 - (b) in paragraph 14(7)(g) (persons residing with the claimant)(3), before "employment and support allowance" insert "income-related".
- (4) In Schedule 5 (income from capital), at the end of paragraph 20(1)(d)(4), insert—

"; or

- (e) by way of local welfare provision including arrears and payments in lieu of local welfare provision; or
- (f) in consequence of a reduction of council tax under section 13, 13A or 80 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (reduction of liability of council tax).".

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2002/1792

⁽²⁾ Paragraph 4 has been amended in ways not material to these Regulations.

⁽³⁾ Paragraph 14(7)(g) was inserted by S.I. 2008/1554, as amended by S.I. 2008/2428. Paragraph 14 has been amended in other ways not material to these Regulations.

⁽⁴⁾ Paragraph 20(1)(d) was inserted by S.I. 2002/3019, and amended by S.I. 2003/2274 and 2008/3157. Paragraph 20 has been amended in other ways not material to these Regulations.