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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2017 No. 870**

**SOCIAL SECURITY**

**The Social Security (Infected Blood  
and Thalidomide) Regulations 2017**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>at 9.15 a.m. on 5th September 2017</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>at 2.00 p.m. on 5th September 2017</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>23rd October 2017</i>

The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 123(1)(a) and (d), 136(3) and (5), 136A(3), 137(1) and 175(1), (3) and (5) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (1), section 189(4) and (6) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992(2), sections 12(1) and (4), 35(1) and 36(2) and (4) of the Jobseekers Act 1995(3), sections 29 and 30(4) of, and paragraph 8 of Schedule 1 to, the Social Security (Recovery of Benefits) Act 1997(4), sections 2(3)(b), 15(3) and (6)(b) and 17(1) of the State Pension Credit Act 2002(5) and sections 17(1) and (3), 24(1) and 25(3) and (5) of the Welfare Reform Act 2007(6) makes the following Regulations.

In accordance with section 173(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992, the Social Security Advisory Committee agreed that the proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it.

In respect of the provisions in these Regulations relating to housing benefit, in accordance with section 176(1) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992(7), the Secretary of State has consulted with organisations appearing to him to be representative of the authorities concerned.

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- (1) 1992 c.4. Section 136A was inserted by paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 to the State Pension Credit Act 2002 (c.16). Subsections (1), (3) and (5) of section 175 is applied to provisions of the State Pension Credit Act 2002 (c.16) by section 19(1) of that Act. See section 137(1) for the meaning of “prescribed”.
  - (2) 1992 c.5. Section 189 is applied to the provisions of the Social Security (Recovery of Benefits Act) 1997 (c.27) by section 30 of that Act.
  - (3) 1995 c.18. See section 35(1) for the meaning of “prescribed” and “regulations”.
  - (4) 1997 c.27. Paragraph 8 of Schedule 1 applies to lump sum payments by virtue of section 1A(4)(b), which was inserted by section 54 of the Child Maintenance and Other Payments Act 2008 (c.6). See section 29 for the meaning of “prescribed” and “regulations”.
  - (5) 2002 c.16. See section 17(1) for the meaning of “prescribed” and “regulations”.
  - (6) 2007 c.5. See section 24(1) for the meaning of “prescribed” and “regulations”.
  - (7) Section 176(1) was amended by paragraph 23 of Schedule 9 to the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (c.14), paragraph 3(4) of Schedule 13 to the Housing Act 1996 (c.52) and section 69(6) of the Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 (c.19).