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PART 2

GIVING OF ASSISTANCE BY SCOTTISH MINISTERS

CHAPTER 2

TYPES OF ASSISTANCE TO BE GIVEN

VALID FROM 14/10/2019

28 Carer's assistance

- (1) Carer's assistance is assistance (which may or may not take the form of money) given by the Scottish Ministers under section 24 to an individual who provides, or has provided, care to another individual who has a disability.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to make regulations prescribing—
 - (a) the eligibility rules that are to be applied to determine whether an individual is entitled to carer's assistance, and
 - (b) what carer's assistance an individual who is entitled to it is to be given.
- (3) Schedule 2 makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).

PROSPECTIVE

29 Cold-spell heating assistance

- (1) Cold-spell heating assistance is assistance (which may or may not take the form of money) given by the Scottish Ministers under section 24 to an individual to meet, or help towards meeting, the individual's heating costs during a period of cold weather.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to make regulations prescribing—

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- (a) the eligibility rules that are to be applied to determine whether an individual is entitled to cold-spell heating assistance, and
 - (b) what cold-spell heating assistance an individual who is entitled to it is to be given.
- (3) Schedule 3 makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).

VALID FROM 01/09/2020

30 Winter heating assistance

- (1) Winter heating assistance is assistance (which may or may not take the form of money) given by the Scottish Ministers under section 24 to an individual to meet, or help towards meeting, the individual's heating costs during the winter months.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to make regulations prescribing—
- (a) the eligibility rules that are to be applied to determine whether an individual is entitled to winter heating assistance, and
 - (b) what winter heating assistance an individual who is entitled to it is to be given.
- (3) Schedule 4 makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).

VALID FROM 08/10/2020

31 Disability assistance

- (1) Disability assistance is assistance (which may or may not take the form of money) given by the Scottish Ministers under section 24 to an individual on account of the individual having—
- (a) a disability arising from a physical or mental impairment, or
 - (b) a terminal illness.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to make regulations prescribing—
- (a) the eligibility rules that are to be applied to determine whether an individual is entitled to disability assistance, and
 - (b) what disability assistance an individual who is entitled to it is to be given.
- (3) Schedule 5 makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).

32 Early years assistance

- (1) Early years assistance is assistance (which may or may not take the form of money) given by the Scottish Ministers under section 24 to help towards meeting some of the costs associated with having, or expecting to have, a child in the family.

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- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to make regulations prescribing—
 - (a) the eligibility rules that are to be applied to determine whether an individual is entitled to early years assistance, and
 - (b) what early years assistance an individual who is entitled to it is to be given.
- (3) Schedule 6 makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).

Commencement Information

- II** S. 32 in force at 10.12.2018 by [S.S.I. 2018/357](#), [reg. 2](#)

PROSPECTIVE

33 Employment-injury assistance

- (1) Employment-injury assistance is assistance (which may or may not take the form of money) given by the Scottish Ministers under section 24 to an individual on account of the individual, or another individual, having suffered an injury, or contracted a disease, in the course of employment.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to make regulations prescribing—
 - (a) the eligibility rules that are to be applied to determine whether an individual is entitled to employment-injury assistance, and
 - (b) what employment-injury assistance an individual who is entitled to it is to be given.
- (3) Schedule 7 makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).

VALID FROM 11/09/2019

34 Funeral expense assistance

- (1) Funeral expense assistance is assistance (which may or may not take the form of money) given by the Scottish Ministers under section 24 to an individual to meet, or help towards meeting, funeral expenses.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to make regulations prescribing—
 - (a) the eligibility rules that are to be applied to determine whether an individual is entitled to funeral expense assistance, and
 - (b) what funeral expense assistance an individual who is entitled to it is to be given.
- (3) Schedule 8 makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).

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PROSPECTIVE

35 Housing assistance

- (1) Housing assistance is assistance (which may or may not take the form of money) given by the Scottish Ministers under section 24 to an individual to meet, or help towards meeting, housing costs.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to make regulations prescribing—
 - (a) the eligibility rules that are to be applied to determine whether an individual is entitled to housing assistance, and
 - (b) what housing assistance an individual who is entitled to it is to be given.
- (3) Schedule 9 makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).

VALID FROM 08/10/2020

36 Short-term assistance

- (1) Short-term assistance is assistance (which may or may not take the form of money) given by the Scottish Ministers under section 24 to an individual on a short-term basis.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to make regulations prescribing—
 - (a) the eligibility rules that are to be applied to determine whether an individual is entitled to short-term assistance, and
 - (b) what short-term assistance an individual who is entitled to it is to be given.
- (3) Schedule 10 makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).

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