



Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

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PART 3

SUPPLEMENTING ASSISTANCE UNDER OTHER ENACTMENTS

Top up of reserved benefits

80 Restrictions on power

- (1) Regulations under section 79 may not provide for financial assistance to be given to meet or help to meet housing costs.
- (2) Regulations under section 79 may not provide for financial assistance to be given where the need for the assistance arises solely from reduction, non-payability or suspension of a reserved benefit as a result of an individual's conduct (for example, non-compliance with work-related requirements relating to the benefit).
- (3) But subsection (2) does not prevent assistance from being given where the need for the assistance in question—
 - (a) also arises from some exceptional event or exceptional circumstances, and
 - (b) is immediate.