



2007 CHAPTER 2

PART 5

GENERAL

Interpretation

57.—(1) In this Act—

“the 1998 Order” means the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1998 (NI 10);

“the 2000 Act” means the Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act (Northern Ireland) 2000 (c. 4);

“the Administration Act” means the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (c. 8);

“the Contributions and Benefits Act” means the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (c. 7);

“the Department” [^{F1}means the Department for Communities] ;

“the Housing Executive” means the Northern Ireland Housing Executive;

“the Jobseekers Order” means the Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 (NI 15);

“statutory provision” has the meaning given by section 1(f) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (c. 33).

(2) In the application, for the purposes of this Act, of—

(a) section 24(1) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (service of documents by post) omit the word “registering”;

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- (b) section 39(2) of that Act (time beginning on a particular day), omit the word “not”.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 57(1) substituted (8.5.2016) by [The Departments \(Transfer of Functions\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/76\)](#), art. 1(2), **Sch. 6 para. 60** (with art. 9(2))

Repeals

58 The statutory provisions specified in Schedule 8 are hereby repealed to the extent specified.

Commencement Information

- II** S. 58 partly in operation; s. 58 in operation for certain purposes at Royal Assent see s. 60(1)(2)(d); s. 58 in operation for certain purposes at 8.10.2007 by [S.R. 2007/429](#), **art. 2(1)(e)**; s. 58 in operation for certain purposes at 7.4.2008 by [S.R. 2008/93](#), **art. 2(b)**; s. 58 in operation for certain purposes at 27.10.2008 by [S.R. 2008/276](#), **art. 2(2)(d)**, **Sch. Pt. 2**; s. 58 in operation for certain purposes at 1.9.2008 by [S.R. 2008/339](#), **art. 2(2)(c)** (with art. 3(1)(2)); s. 58 in operation for certain purposes at 7.10.2008 by [S.R. 2008/339](#), **art. 2(3)(b)**

Transition

59.—(1) The Department may by order make in connection with the coming into operation of any provision of this Act, except Part 1, such transitional provision or savings as it considers necessary or expedient.

(2) The power under subsection (1) includes power to make incidental, supplementary and consequential provision.

Commencement

60.—(1) This Act, except the provisions specified in subsection (2), shall come into operation on such day or days as the Department may by order appoint.

(2) The provisions referred to in subsection (1) are—

- (a) sections 38(2), 41, 50, 51, 53, 55, 57, 59, this section and section 61;
- (b) paragraphs 1 and 5 of Schedule 5 and section 37 so far as relating thereto;
- (c) paragraphs 1(1) and (3), 2 and 4 of Schedule 7 and section 56 so far as relating thereto;
- (d) Schedule 8, so far as relating to—
 - (i) section 136(1A) of the Contributions and Benefits Act;
 - (ii) section 69(5), 69ZA and 147(3) of the Administration Act; and

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(iii) Article 38(7)(a) of, and paragraph 62(2) of Schedule 6 to, the 1998 Order,
and section 58 so far as relating thereto.

Subordinate Legislation Made

- P1** S. 60(1) power partly exercised: different dates appointed for specified provisions by [S.R. 2007/335, art. 2](#);
- S. 60(1) power partly exercised: different dates appointed for specified provisions by [S.R. 2007/429, art. 2](#);
- S. 60(1) power partly exercised: different dates appointed for specified provisions by [S.R. 2008/93, art. 2](#);
- S. 60(1) power partly exercised: 1.4.2008 appointed for specified provisions by [S.R. 2008/147, art. 2](#);
- S. 60(1) power partly exercised: different dates appointed for specified provisions by [S.R. 2008/276, art. 2, Sch.](#);
- S. 60(1) power partly exercised: different dates appointed for specified provisions by [S.R. 2008/339, art. 2](#) (with [art. 3\(1\)\(2\)](#));
- S. 60(1) power partly exercised: 27.10.2008 appointed for specified provision by [S.R. 2008/425, art. 2](#);
- S. 60(1) power partly exercised: 9.9.2010 appointed for specified provisions by [S.R. 2010/308, art. 2](#);
- S. 60(1) power partly exercised: 11.7.2011 appointed for specified provisions by [S.R. 2011/260, art. 2](#)

Short title

61 This Act may be cited as the Welfare Reform Act (Northern Ireland) 2007.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 1(3)(za) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 67\(2\)](#)
- s. 1(3B) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 67\(3\)](#)
- s. 14(5) added by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 25\(2\)](#)
- s. 14(5) amendment to earlier affecting provision [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 25\(2\)](#) by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 60\(7\)](#)
- s. 14(5) words substituted by [S.R. 2016/76 Sch. 6 para. 56\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 6(1)(da) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 5\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 6(2A) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 5\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 4B inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 67\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 12(4)(5) repealed by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) Sch. 12 Pt. 1](#)