



2013 CHAPTER 1

Consultation in relation to civil service compensation scheme modifications

2.—(1) Article 4 of the 1972 Order shall be amended as follows.

(2) After paragraph (3C) (inserted by section 1) there shall be inserted the following paragraph—

“(3D) So far as it relates to a provision of a scheme under Article 3 which would have the effect of reducing the amount of a compensation benefit, the duty to consult in paragraph (2) of that Article is a duty to consult with a view to reaching agreement with the persons consulted.”.

(3) After paragraph (8) there shall be inserted the following paragraphs—

“(8A) Paragraph (8B) applies if a scheme made under Article 3 makes any provision which would have the effect of reducing the amount of a compensation benefit.

(8B) The scheme shall be subject to negative resolution and before the scheme comes into operation, the Department must have laid before the Assembly a report providing information about—

- (a) the consultation that took place for the purposes of Article 3(2), so far as relating to the provision,
- (b) the steps taken in connection with that consultation with a view to reaching agreement in relation to the provision with the persons consulted, and
- (c) whether such agreement has been reached.”.

(4) The amendments made by this section apply in relation to reductions to which effect is given by a scheme made under Article 3 of the 1972 Order after the commencement of this section.