STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 1987

The Age-Related Payments (Northern Ireland) Order 2004

General

Title and commencement

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Age-Related Payments (Northern Ireland) Order 2004.
- (2) This Order shall come into operation on the expiration of one week from the day on which it is made.

Interpretation

- **2.**—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (c. 33) applies to this Order as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.
 - (2) In this Order—
- "couple" means a man and a woman who share a household and who are, or who live as, husband and wife;
- "the Department" means the Department for Social Development;
- "qualifying individual" has the meaning given by Article 3;
- "the relevant week" has the meaning given by Article 3;
- "single", in relation to an individual, means not part of a couple;
- "state pension credit" has the meaning given by section 1(1) of the State Pension Credit Act (Northern Ireland) 2002 (c. 14); and
- "statutory provision" has the meaning given by section 1(f) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954.
- (3) The provisions of this Order shall apply, with any necessary modifications, to the parties to a polygamous marriage as if they together formed one couple.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Age-Related Payments (Northern Ireland) Order 2004, General.