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SOCIAL SECURITY

**The Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidity Benefit)
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1978***Made* 23rd March 1978*Coming into operation* 5th May 1978

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 17(1)(a)(ii) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations, which may be cited as the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidity Benefit) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1978, shall come into operation on 5th May 1978.

(2) Any reference in these regulations to any provision made by or contained in any enactment or instrument shall, except in so far as the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to that provision as amended or extended by any enactment or instrument and as including a reference to any provision which it re-enacts or replaces, or which may re-enact or replace it, with or without modification.

(3) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of these regulations as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidity Benefit) Regulations

2. In regulation 3 of the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidity Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975(c), (persons deemed to be incapable of work), for sub-paragraph (a)(ii) of paragraph (1) there shall be substituted the following—

“(ii) it is certified by a registered medical practitioner that for precautionary or convalescent reasons consequential on such disease or disablement he should abstain from work, and”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 23rd March 1978.

(L.S.)

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(a) 1975 c. 15

(b) 1889 c. 63

(c) S.R. 1975 No. 86 (I, p. 504)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations amend the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidity Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975 so as to provide that requisite medical certificates for the purpose of deeming persons incapable of work should indicate that abstention from work consequential on a specified disease or disablement is for precautionary or convalescent reasons.