STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

# 2002 No. 406 (C. 34)

## SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security Fraud (2001 Act) (Commencement No. 5) Order (Northern Ireland) 2002

*Made* - - - 20th December 2002

The Department for Social Development, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 17(1) of the Social Security Fraud Act (Northern Ireland) 2001(1) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

## **Citation and interpretation**

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Social Security Fraud (2001 Act) (Commencement No. 5) Order (Northern Ireland) 2002.

(2) In this Order "the Act" means the Social Security Fraud Act (Northern Ireland) 2001.

#### **Appointed days**

**2.**—(1) The day appointed for the coming into operation of section 1(4) and (9) of the Act (additional powers to obtain information)–

- (a) for the purpose only of authorising the making of an order, is 23rd December 2002; and
- (b) for all other purposes, is 24th February 2003.

(2) The day appointed for the coming into operation of-

- (a) section 1(1) to (3) and (5) to (8) of the Act;
- (b) section 2 of the Act (electronic access to information);
- (c) section 4 of the Act (arrangements for payments in respect of information); and
- (d) the Schedule to the Act (repeals), and section 16 of the Act in so far as it relates to that Schedule, in so far as not already in operation,

is 24th February 2003.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Social Development on 20th December 2002.

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John O'Neill Senior Officer of the Department for Social Development

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order provides for the coming into operation of provisions of the Social Security Fraud Act (Northern Ireland) 2001. Section 1(4) and (9) (which provides additional powers to obtain information) is commenced for the purpose of authorising the making of an order on 23rd December 2002 and for all other purposes on 24th February 2003. The following provisions are commenced from 24th February 2003–

section 1(1) to (3) and (5) to (8);

section 2 which provides for electronic access to information;

section 4 which provides for arrangements for payments in respect of information; and

section 16 and the Schedule which provide for consequential repeals, in so far as not already in operation.

This Order does not impose a charge on business.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

(This note is not part of the Order.)

The following provisions of the Social Security Fraud Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 have been brought into operation by earlier commencement orders as from the dates shown.

Provision	Date of Commencement	S.R. Number
Section 3	19.12.02	2002 No. 392 (C. 32)
Section 5	1.5.02	2002 No. 165 (C.16)
Sections 6 to 10	6.3.02 and 1.4.02	2002 No. 75 (C. 7)
Section 11	1.4.02	2002 No. 75 (C. 7)
Section 12	6.3.02 and 1.4.02	2002 No. 75 (C. 7)
Sections 13 and 14	1.5.02	2002 No. 165 (C. 16)
Section 15	3.12.01 and 7.1.02	2001 No. 416 (C. 20)
Section 16 and the Schedule (partially)	1.5.02	2002 No. 165 (C. 16)