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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2003 No. 80**

**HOUSING; RATES**

The Housing Benefit (General) (Amendment)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003

Made - - - - 17th February 2003

Coming into operation 1st April 2003

The Department for Social Development, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 129(4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(1) and sections 1(1), 5(1)(a), (b) and (c), 5A(1), (2)(a) and 165(1), (4) and (5) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(2) and now vested in it(3), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, with the consent of the Department of Finance and Personnel(4) and after agreement by the Social Security Advisory Committee that proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it(5), hereby makes the following Regulations:

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- (1) 1992 c. 7  
(2) 1992 c. 8; section 5A was inserted by Article 68 of the Welfare Reform and Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 (S.I.1999/3147 (N.I. 11))  
(3) See Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481  
(4) See section 171(6A) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 as inserted by Article 3(3) of the Social Security (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 (S.I. 1993/1579 (N.I. 8)); see also Article 6(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481  
(5) See section 150(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992