
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Paragraph 4 of Schedule 7 to the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 increases the weekly rate of a disablement pension, where the beneficiary is entitled to unemployment supplement, for periods during which the beneficiary is entitled to child benefit in respect of one or more children or qualifying young persons. Paragraph 4(4) applies where such a beneficiary is one of two persons who are spouses or civil partners residing together, or who are living together as husband and wife or civil partners, and the other person had earnings in any week. It provides that the increase shall not be payable in respect of the first child or qualifying young person if the other person's earnings are £185 a week or more and in respect of further children or qualifying young persons for each complete £25 by which those earnings exceed £185. This Order increases the amounts of £185 and £25 to £195 and £26 respectively.

Article 3 revokes the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Dependency) (Permitted Earnings Limits) Order (Northern Ireland) 2008.