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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2015 No. 124**

**SOCIAL SECURITY**  
**STATUTORY MATERNITY PAY; STATUTORY**  
**SICK PAY; EMPLOYMENT; HOUSING; RATES**

The Social Security Benefits Up-  
rating Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

*Made - - - - 5th March 2015*

*Coming into operation in accordance with Article 1*

*Approved by resolution of the Assembly on 27th April 2015*

This Order is made in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 132, 132A and 165(1), (4) and (5) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992<sup>(1)</sup> and now vested in the Department for Social Development<sup>(2)</sup>.

The Secretary of State has made Orders<sup>(3)</sup> under sections 150, 150A, 151 and 189(1), (4) and (5) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992<sup>(4)</sup> and section 1 of the Welfare Benefits Up-rating Act 2013<sup>(5)</sup>.

Accordingly, the Department for Social Development makes the following Order:

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- (1) 1992 c. 8; section 132 was amended by paragraph 41 of Schedule 7 to the [Pension Schemes \(Northern Ireland\) Act 1993](#) (c. 49), paragraph 9 of Schedule 4 to the [Tax Credits Act 2002](#) (c. 21), section 3 of the [Pensions Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2012](#) (c. 3 (N.I.)) and regulation 2(2) of [S.R. 2012 No. 120](#) (see also section 1(8) of the [Welfare Benefits Up-rating Act 2013](#) (c. 16)), section 132A was inserted by section 5(1) of the [Pensions Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2008](#) (c. 1 (N.I.)) and section 165(1) was amended by paragraph 49(2) of Schedule 3 to the [Social Security Contributions \(Transfer of Functions, etc.\) \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1999](#) (S.I. 1999/671) and section 18(5) of the [National Insurance Contributions Act 2014](#) (c. 7)
- (2) See Article 8(b) of [S.R. 1999 No. 481](#)
- (3) [S.I. 2015/30](#) and [457](#)
- (4) 1992 c. 5
- (5) 2013 c. 16