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# Welfare Reform Act 2007

## 2007 CHAPTER 5

### PART 3

#### SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION: GENERAL

#### *Benefit fraud*

PROSPECTIVE

#### **48 Local authority functions relating to benefit: information**

[<sup>F1</sup>(1) Section 122C of the Administration Act (supply of information to authorities administering benefit) is amended as follows—

- (a) in subsection (2) at the end insert “ or for the purposes of anything the authority is permitted to do in relation to any other benefit by virtue of section 110A or 116A above ”;
- (b) in subsection (3)(a) for “offences relating to housing benefit or council tax benefit” substitute “ benefit offences (within the meaning of Part 6 above) ”.]

[<sup>F1</sup>(2) Section 122D of that Act (supply of information by authorities administering benefit) is amended as follows—

- (a) in subsection (1), for “benefit administration information” substitute “ relevant benefit information ”;
- (b) in subsection (2A), after “subsection (2)” insert “ , in addition to any other purpose for which the information may be used, ”;
- (c) for subsection (4) substitute—

“(4) In subsection (1) “relevant benefit information”, in relation to an authority or other person, means any information which is relevant to the exercise of any function relating to a relevant social security benefit by the authority or other person.”;

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- (d) in subsection (5), in each place where it occurs for “housing benefit or council tax benefit” substitute “ any relevant social security benefit ”;
- (e) in subsection (6), after the definition of “private pensions policy” insert—
  - ““relevant social security benefit” has the same meaning as in section 121DA above;”.]

[<sup>F1</sup>(3) Section 122E of that Act (supply of information between authorities administering benefit) is amended as follows—

- (a) in subsection (1) for “benefit administration information” substitute “ relevant benefit information ”;
- (b) in subsection (2)(a) for “offences relating to housing benefit or council tax benefit” substitute “ benefit offences (within the meaning of Part 6 above) ”;
- (c) for subsection (6) substitute—

“(6) In this section “relevant benefit information”, in relation to an authority or other person, means any information which is relevant to the exercise of any function relating to a relevant social security benefit (within the meaning of section 121DA above) by the authority or other person.”]

- (4) In section 126A of that Act (power to require information from landlords and agents), in subsection (8) for “benefit administration information” substitute “ relevant benefit information ”.

#### **Textual Amendments**

**F1** S. 48(1)-(3) repealed (1.4.2013 for specified purposes) by [Welfare Reform Act 2012 \(c. 5\), s. 150\(3\), Sch. 14 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2013/358, art. 8\(c\), Sch. 4](#) (with arts. 9, 10, Sch. 5)

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- s. 48(4) repealed by 2012 c. 5 Sch. 14 Pt. 10

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 1(3)(za) inserted by 2012 c. 5 s. 62(2)
- s. 1(3B) inserted by 2012 c. 5 s. 62(3)
- s. 1C inserted by 2012 c. 5 s. 54(3)
- s. 1C repealed by 2012 c. 5 Sch. 14 Pt. 5 (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The entry for this repeal in Sch. 14 Pt. 6 was repealed (8.5.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 5, s. 150(3), Sch. 14 Pt. 2)
- s. 2(6) inserted by 2012 c. 5 Sch. 5 para. 6(3)
- s. 13(6A) inserted by 2009 c. 24 s. 3(4)(b)
- s. 14(5) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24, s. 31(2) by 2012 c. 5 s. 54(7)
- s. 14(5) inserted by 2009 c. 24 s. 31(2)
- s. 16(1)(za) inserted by 2012 c. 5 s. 54(5)
- s. 20(7A)(7B) inserted by 2023 c. 20 Sch. para. 55(2)
- Sch. 1 para. 6(1)(da) inserted by 2009 c. 24 s. 5(2)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. 6(2A) inserted by 2009 c. 24 s. 5(2)(b)
- Sch. 2 para. 10A inserted by 2009 c. 24 s. 30(2)
- Sch. 2 para. 4B and cross-heading inserted by 2012 c. 5 s. 62(4)
- Sch. 2 para. 10B and cross-heading inserted by 2012 c. 5 s. 57(8)
- Sch. 2 para. 10ZA inserted by 2012 c. 5 s. 57(7)(b)
- Sch. 2 para. 10A heading word substituted by 2012 c. 5 s. 57(7)(a)
- Sch. 2 para. 10A(1) words inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 3 para. 8(5)(a) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The entry for this repeal in Sch. 14 Pt. 6 was repealed (8.5.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 5, s. 150(3), Sch. 14 Pt. 2)
- Sch. 2 para. 10A(1) words repealed by 2012 c. 5 Sch. 14 Pt. 6 (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The entry for this repeal in Sch. 14 Pt. 6 was repealed (8.5.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 5, s. 150(3), Sch. 14 Pt. 2)
- Sch. 2 para. 10A(1) words substituted by 2012 c. 5 s. 57(7)(c)(i)
- Sch. 2 para. 10A(1) words substituted by 2012 c. 5 s. 57(7)(c)(ii)