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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2004 No. 552**

**SOCIAL SECURITY  
TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT**

The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2004

Made - - - - 2nd March 2004

Coming into force in accordance with article 1

THE SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS UP-RATING ORDER 2004

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