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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2006 No. 213**

**SOCIAL SECURITY**

**The Housing Benefit Regulations 2006**

*Made* - - - - *2nd February 2006*

*Laid before Parliament* *10th February 2006*

*Coming into force* - - *6th March 2006*

The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 123(1)(d), 130(2) to (4), 134, 135(1), (2) and (6), 136, 137 and 175(1) and (3) to (6) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(1), sections 1(1) and (1C), 5(1)(a) to (d) and (g) to (r) and (6), 7(2), 7A, 75, 113, 122E(3) and (4), 126A, 128A, 134(1A) and (8) (b), 189(1) and (3) to (6) and 191 of the Social Security Administration Act 1992(2), section 122(3) and (5) of the Housing Act 1996(3) and sections 34, 79(1) and (4) and 84 of the Social Security Act 1998(4).

These Regulations are made for the purpose only of consolidating other regulations revoked in the Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit (Consequential Provisions) Regulations 2006(5).

In accordance with section 176(1) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992, the Secretary of State has consulted with organisations appearing to him to be representative of the authorities concerned.

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- (1) 1992 c. 4; section 137(1) is an interpretation provision and is cited for the meaning of the words “family” and “prescribed”; sections 175(1) and (4) were amended by paragraph 29 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) Act 1999 (c. 2); and section 175(5) was amended by paragraph 36 of Schedule 1 to the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) Act 1994 (c. 18).
- (2) 1992 c. 5; section 7A was inserted by the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (c. 30); section 122E was inserted by the Social Security Administration (Fraud) Act 1997 (c. 47), section 3; section 126A was inserted by section 11 of the Social Security Administration (Fraud) Act 1997 (c. 47); section 128A was inserted by section 28(2) of the Jobseekers Act 1995 (c. 18); section 189(1) was amended by paragraph 57 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) 1999, Schedule 8 and paragraph 109 of Schedule 7 to the Social Security Act 1998 (c. 14) and Schedule 6 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21); section 134 was amended by the Housing Act 1996 (c. 52), Schedule 12, paragraph 1; section 189(4) and (5) was amended by Schedule 8 and paragraph 109 of Schedule 7 to the Social Security Act 1998; section 191 is cited for the meaning of the word “prescribe”.
- (3) 1996 c. 52.
- (4) 1998 c. 14; section 79(1) was amended by paragraphs 12 and 13 of Schedule 4 to the Tax Credits Act 2002; section 84 is cited for the meaning of the word “prescribe”.
- (5) See section 172 of, and paragraph 10 of Part 1 of Schedule 7 to, the Social Security Administration Act 1992.