STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No. 1721 (C. 67) SOCIAL SECURITY

The Welfare Reform Act 2007 Commencement (No. 1) Order 2007

Made - - - - 13th June 2007

The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions makes the following Order, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 70(2) of the Welfare Reform Act 2007(1).

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Welfare Reform Act 2007 Commencement (No. 1) Order 2007.

Appointed days

- **2.**—(1) 14th June 2007 is the day appointed for the coming into force of section 31 of the Welfare Reform Act 2007 for the purpose only of the exercise of the power to make regulations.
- (2) 1st November 2007 is the day appointed for the coming into force of section 31 of that Act for all other purposes.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

James Plaskitt
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department for Work and Pensions

13th June 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force section 31 of the Welfare Reform Act 2007, which relates to loss of housing benefit following eviction for anti-social behaviour etc. Section 31 inserts new sections into the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (c.4).

Section 31 comes into force on 14th June 2007 for the purposes of making regulations. The regulations will prescribe the amount of the reduction of housing benefit and various other matters. Section 31 comes into force on 1st November 2007 for all other purposes.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been carried out in relation to this Order as it does not impose a cost on business, charities or voluntary bodies.