
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force the following provisions of the Welfare Reform Act 2007—

- (a) section 36 (supply of information by rent officers), and
- (b) section 67 and Schedule 8 (repeals) so far as they relate to the partial repeal of sections 37(2) (widowed mother's allowance) and 39A(3) (widowed parent's allowance) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992.

Article 2(a) provides for the commencement of section 36 which inserts section 122F into the Social Security Administration Act 1992. Section 122F enables the Secretary of State to require a rent officer to supply housing benefit information to the Secretary of State for use for purposes listed in that section.

Article 2(b) provides for the commencement of section 67 and Schedule 8 (repeals) so far as they relate to the partial repeal of sections 37(2) and 39A(3) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992. These repeals are consequential on the commencement of sections 50 and 51 of the 2007 Act made by the Welfare Reform Act 2007 (Commencement No. 7, Transitional and Savings Provisions) Order 2008 ([S.I. 2008/2101](#)).

Article 3 makes transitional and savings provision relating to article 2(b). It concerns entitlement to widowed mother's allowance and widowed parent's allowance for the cases to which article 3(2) of the Tax Credits Act 2002 (Commencement No. 3 and Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2003 applies (broadly speaking, persons entitled to a child dependency increase before 6th April 2003).

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the private or voluntary sectors.