STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2012 No. 1653

## The Education (Student Fees, Awards and Support) (Amendment) Regulations 2012

## Amendment of the Education (Student Support) Regulations 2011

14. In regulation 41 of the Student Support Regulations—

- (a) in paragraph (5), after the words "the student is undertaking the course in England" insert "on the first day of the first academic year";
- (b) after paragraph (5), insert—

"(6) A student qualifying for a grant under this regulation in respect of a distance learning course will no longer qualify for support in respect of that course if the Secretary of State considers that the student is undertaking the course outside the United Kingdom.";

(c) after paragraph (6) (inserted by paragraph (b)), insert—

"(7) Subject to paragraph (8), the disabled students' allowance is payable in respect of the four quarters of the academic year, except where the allowance is used for expenditure on major items of specialist equipment.

(8) Subject to paragraph (9), where one of the events listed in regulation 17(a), (b), (c), (e) (f), (g) or (h) occurs in the course of an academic year, a student may qualify for the disabled students' allowance for the purposes specified in paragraphs (2)(a), (c) and (d) in respect of such quarters as begin after the relevant event occurs.

(9) Where the state of which the student is a national accedes to the EU the student may qualify for the disabled students' allowance only if the student has been ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands throughout the three year period immediately preceding the first day of the first academic year of the course."