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CHILD SUPPORT

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THE CHILD SUPPORT MAINTENANCE CALCULATION REGULATIONS 2012

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Explanatory Note

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Child Support Maintenance Calculation Regulations 2012.