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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2017 No. 297**

**The Pensions Act 2014 (Commencement No.10) Order 2017**

**Later commencement for abolition of bereavement payment and bereavement allowance**

4.—(1) Section 31(5) of, and Schedule 16 to, the Pensions Act 2014 do not come into force in accordance with article 3(2) for a person to whom this article applies.

(2) This article applies to a person who, on 5th April 2017—

(a) was entitled to—

(i) a bereavement payment under section 36 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (bereavement payment)(1); or

(ii) a bereavement allowance under section 39B of that Act (bereavement allowance where no dependent children)(2); or

(b) would have been entitled to such a benefit if they made a claim for it.

(3) But this article ceases to apply to a person if—

(a) they were entitled to a benefit in accordance with paragraph (2)(a) and they are no longer entitled to that benefit; or

(b) they would have been entitled to a benefit in accordance with paragraph (2)(b) and they would no longer be entitled to that benefit if they made a claim for it.

(4) On the date this article ceases to apply to a person, section 31(5) of, and Schedule 16 to, the Pensions Act 2014 come into force for that person to the extent that they are not already in force.

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(1) 1992 c.4. Section 36 was substituted by section 54 of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (c.30) and amended by paragraph 16 of Schedule 24 to the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c.33) and S.I.s 2014/560 and 3229 and 2016/408.

(2) Section 39B was inserted by section 55(2) of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 and amended by paragraph 21 of Schedule 24 and Schedule 30 to the Civil Partnership Act 2004 and S.I.s 2014/560 and 3229.