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**2000 No. 1116 (C. 35)**

**PENSIONS**

**The Welfare Reform and Pensions Act  
1999 (Commencement No. 5) Order 2000**

*Made - - - - 14th April 2000*

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the power conferred upon him by section 89(2) of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999<sup>(1)</sup>, makes the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 5) Order 2000.

2. The following provisions of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 shall come into force on 1st December 2000:—

- (a) sections 19, 21 and 22;
- (b) section 84(1) so far as relating to paragraphs 1 to 4 and 64 to 66 of Schedule 12;
- (c) section 85(3) and (4);
- (d) section 88 so far as relating to the entries in Part II of Schedule 13 in respect of the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973<sup>(2)</sup>, the Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Act 1984<sup>(3)</sup> and sections 9(8) and 16 of the Family Law Act 1996<sup>(4)</sup>;
- (e) Schedules 3 and 4;
- (f) paragraphs 1 to 4 and 64 to 66 of Schedule 12; and
- (g) the entries in Part II of Schedule 13 in respect of the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973, the Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Act 1984 and sections 9(8) and 16 of the Family Law Act 1996.

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(1) 1999 c. 30.  
(2) 1973 c. 18.  
(3) 1984 c. 42.  
(4) 1996 c. 27.

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Signed on behalf of the Lord Chancellor

14th April 2000

*Jane Kennedy*  
Parliamentary Secretary,  
Lord Chancellor's Department

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order provides for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 on 1st December 2000:—

section 22 (which amends Part III of the Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Act 1984);

section 85(3) and (4) (transitional provisions);

Schedule 3, with section 19 (which gives it effect);

Schedule 4, with section 21 (which gives it effect);

paragraphs 1 to 4 and 64 to 66 of Schedule 12, and section 84(1) (which gives effect to Schedule 12) so far as it relates to those paragraphs; and

the entries in Part II of Schedule 13 (repeals) in respect of the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973, the Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Act 1984 and sections 9(8) and 16 of the Family Law Act 1996, and section 88 (which gives effect to Schedule 13) so far as it relates to those entries.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The following provisions have been brought into force by:—

- the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 1) Order 1999 ([S.I. 1999/3309](#)) (C. 88),
- the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1999 ([S.I. 1999/3420](#)) (C. 92),
- the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 3) Order 2000 ([S.I. 2000/629](#)) (C. 13), or
- the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 4) Order 2000 ([S.I. 2000/1047](#)) (C. 29).

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
sections 1 and 2	1st October 2000	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
sections 3 to 5	8th October 2001	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
section 6(1), (2) and (4)	8th October 2001	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Schedule 1 and section 6(3) (partially)	1st October 2000	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Schedule 1 and section 6(3) (so far as not commenced on 1st October 2000)	8th October 2001	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
section 7	1st October 2000	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
section 8 (partially)	1st October 2000	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>

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<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
section 8 (so far as not commenced on 1st October 2000)	8th October 2001	2000/1047
section 10	3rd April 2000	2000/629
Schedule 2 in the following respects, and section 18 so far as it relates to them:—		
paragraphs 3, 4, 8, 9 to 13 and 15 to 19	25th April 2000	2000/1047
section 20	1st December 2000	2000/1047
section 23	1st December 2000	2000/1047
section 24	1st December 2000	2000/1047
section 25	1st December 2000	2000/1047
section 26	1st December 2000	2000/1047
sections 27 to 46	1st December 2000	2000/1047
sections 47 to 51	1st December 2000	2000/1047
section 53	12th January 2000 and 2nd April 2000	1999/3309
sections 54 to 56	24th April 2000 and 9th April 2001	2000/1047
section 61	3rd April 2000	1999/3309
section 66	12th January 2000	1999/3309
section 67(1) and (2)	12th January 2000	1999/3309
Schedule 8 in the following respects, and section 70 in so far as it relates to them:—		
Part I	24th April 2000 and 9th April 2001	2000/1047
paragraph 23(1), (2) and (4)	13th December 1999	1999/3309
paragraph 23(3)	3rd April 2000	1999/3309
paragraph 24	3rd April 2000	1999/3309
paragraphs 30 to 32 (partially)	12th January 2000 and 2nd April 2000	1999/3309
section 73 and Schedule 9	22nd December 1999 and 6th April 2000	1999/3420
section 74 and Schedule 10	22nd December 1999 and 6th April 2000	1999/3420
sections 75 and 76	22nd December 1999	1999/3420
sections 77 and 78	6th April 2000	1999/3420

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<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
section 85(5)	1st December 2000	2000/1047
Schedule 5	1st December 2000	2000/1047
Schedule 6	1st December 2000	2000/1047
Schedule 12 in the following respects, and section 84(1) in so far as it relates to them:—		
paragraphs 5 to 7, 8(1), (2), (5), (6), 9, 11, 12, 14 to 22, 23 to 27, 28 to 63	1st December 2000	2000/1047
paragraph 73	25th April 2000	2000/1047
paragraph 74	6th April 2000	1999/3420
paragraph 75	25th April 2000	2000/1047
paragraphs 76 to 78	6th April 2000	1999/3420
paragraphs 84 to 86	6th April 2000	1999/3420
Schedule 13 in the following respects, and section 88 in so far as it relates to them:—		
Part I (partially)	25th April 2000	2000/1047
Part II (partially)	1st December 2000	2000/1047
Part III	1st December 2000	2000/1047
Part V (partially)	2nd April 2000	1999/3309
Part V (partially)	24th April 2000 and 9th April 2001	2000/1047
Parts VI and VII	6th April 2000	1999/3420