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2008 CHAPTER 13

PART 5

MISCELLANEOUS

Information relating to state pension credit recipients

Disclosure of information relating to state pension credit recipients

111.—(1) The Department may by regulations make provision authorising the Department, or a person providing services to the Department, to supply relevant persons with social security information about persons in receipt of state pension credit.

(2) In this section “relevant person” means—

- (a) a person who holds a licence under Article 10(1)(c) or (2) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 (NI 1) or Article 8(1)(c) of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (NI 2) (supply of electricity or gas to premises), or
- (b) a person providing services to the Department or to a person within paragraph (a).

(3) Regulations under this section must specify the purposes for which information may be supplied by virtue of subsection (1), which must be purposes in connection with enabling the provision of assistance to persons in receipt of state pension credit.

(4) Regulations under this section may authorise the supply of information by a relevant person to the Department or another relevant person—

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- (a) for the purpose of determining what information is to be supplied by virtue of subsection (1), or
 - (b) to enable information supplied to a relevant person by virtue of subsection (1) to be used by that or another relevant person for purposes within subsection (3).
- (5) Regulations under this section may—
- (a) make provision as to the use or disclosure of information supplied under the regulations (including provision creating criminal offences);
 - (b) provide for the recovery by the Department of costs incurred in connection with the supply or use of information under the regulations.
- (6) In this section—
- “social security information” means information held by or on behalf of the Department and obtained as a result of, or for the purpose of, the exercise of the Department's functions in relation to social security;
- “state pension credit” has the meaning given by section 1(1) of the State Pension Credit Act (Northern Ireland) 2002 (c. 14).

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- [s. 24\(1\)\(c\) inserted by 2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 39\(2\)\(d\)](#)