

*These notes refer to the Welfare Reform Act (Northern Ireland)
2010 (c.13) which received Royal Assent on 13 August 2010*

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 3: Miscellaneous and supplementary

Section 33: Consequential amendments of orders and regulations

This section enables the Department to amend or revoke by way of regulations any statutory rules made under other enactments before this Act received Royal Assent, where such amendments and revocations are necessary as a consequence of a provision of this Act. Regulations made under this power may include transitional provisions and savings, and provisions conferring discretion on any person. Regulations made under this power are subject to negative resolution procedure.

Section 34: Repeals

This section gives effect to the repeals and revocations in Schedule 4. It lists provisions in Part 2 of Schedule 4 that will have effect on 6 April 2010. It protects the operation of Article 3 of the Tax Credits Act 2002 (Commencement No. 3 and Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2003 - (savings in relation to the abolition of child dependency increases).

Section 35: Interpretation

This section sets out definitions for the purposes of the Act.

Section 36: Commencement

Section 36 provides that sections 1, 2, 3, 8, 14, 19 and Schedule 3, 20, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32(3), 33, 34(2) and (3) and Part 2 of Schedule 4, so far as relating to the repeals and revocations, mentioned in section 34(2) and sections 35, 36 and 37, come into operation on Royal Assent (that is on 13 August 2010).

The remaining provisions will be brought into operation by means of commencement orders made by the Department. The orders may appoint different days for different areas and purposes and make necessary transitory, transitional or savings provisions.