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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2007 No. 67**

**The Social Security Investigation Powers (Arrangements with Great Britain) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007**

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Social Security Investigation Powers (Arrangements with Great Britain) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007 and shall come into operation on 1st March 2007.

(2) In these Regulations, “the 1992 Act” means the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(1).

**Amendment of Schedule 2 to the Social Security (Great Britain Reciprocal Arrangements) Regulations**

2.—(1) The Social Security (Great Britain Reciprocal Arrangements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976(2) are amended as follows.

(2) In Part I of Schedule 2 (adaptations of certain provisions of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975)—

- (a) in column 1, omit “Section 135(2)”;
- (b) in column 2, omit “Section 144(2)”;
- (c) in column 3, omit “Powers of inspectors”.

**Single system of investigation powers; adaptations to the 1992 Act**

3.—(1) The arrangements for a single system of social security investigation powers in Great Britain and Northern Ireland set out in the Memorandum reproduced in Schedule 1 shall have effect in Northern Ireland.

(2) The 1992 Act shall have effect subject to such adaptations as may be required for the purpose of giving effect to those arrangements.

(3) In particular (and without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (2) and so far as may be required for the purpose mentioned in that paragraph)—

- (a) an act, omission or event referred to in a provision of the Great Britain legislation specified in column 2 of the table in Schedule 2 shall be deemed to be an act, omission or event

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(1) 1992 c. 8; sections 103A, 103B and 103C were substituted for section 104 by paragraph 2 of Schedule 6 to the Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act (Northern Ireland) 2000 c. 4 (N.I.) (“the 2000 Act”); section 103B was amended by section 1(2), (3) and (4) of the Social Security Fraud Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 c. 17 (N.I.) (“the 2001 Act”), Article 2(2), (3) and (4) of S.R. 2002 No. 408 and paragraph 116 of Schedule 24 to the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c. 33); section 103BA was inserted by section 2(1) of the 2001 Act; section 104A was substituted (for a provision inserted by Article 11 of the Social Security Administration (Fraud) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997) by paragraph 3 of Schedule 6 to the 2000 Act, and amended by section 2(1) and the Schedule to the 2001 Act; section 104AA was inserted by section 2(2) of the 2001 Act; section 105 was amended by sections 1(6) and 2(3) of the 2001 Act, paragraph 4(2) and (3) of Schedule 4 to S.I. 1999/671, paragraph 4(2) of Schedule 1 to the National Insurance Contributions and Statutory Payments Act 2004 (c. 3) and paragraph 4 of Schedule 6 to the 2000 Act; section 109B was inserted by section 14(1) of the 2001 Act

(2) S. R. 1976 No. 196; relevant amending Regulations are S. R. 1999 No. 350

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under the provision of the 1992 Act specified in the corresponding paragraph of column 1 of that table; and

- (b) in the provisions specified in column 1 of that table—
  - (i) references to the Department shall be construed as including references to the Secretary of State, and
  - (ii) references to the Northern Ireland Housing Executive shall be construed as including an authority administering housing benefit or council tax benefit.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Social Development on 7th February 2007



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