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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 10

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Certain functions transferred by S.R. 1976/281, art. 3, Sch., S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6) arts. 3, 4(1) and Social Security Act 1986 (c. 50 SIF 113:1) s. 82, Sch. 9 Pt. III para. 10
- C1 Power to amend Sch. 10 conferred by S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18), arts. 18(3), 79(1)(6)

Appeals.

- [F17B] (1) If any person to whom this section applies is aggrieved by any decision taken by the administrators of a relevant pension scheme concerning—
 - (a) the interpretation of the rules of the scheme, or
 - (b) the exercise of any discretion under the scheme,

he shall have a right of appeal to the Lord Chancellor against that decision.

- (2) On deciding an appeal under this paragraph, the Lord Chancellor may give to the administrators such directions as he considers necessary or expedient for implementing his decision.
- (3) The persons to whom this paragraph applies are the following—
 - (a) any member of the scheme;
 - (b) the [F2surviving spouse or surviving civil partner,] or any surviving dependant, of a deceased member of the scheme;
 - (c) where the decision relates to the question—
 - (i) whether a person who claims to be such a person as is mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b) is such a person, or
 - (ii) whether a person who claims to be entitled to become a member of the scheme is so entitled,

the person so claiming.

- (4) The Lord Chancellor may by regulations make provision as to the manner in which, and time within which, appeals under this paragraph are to be brought.
- (5) Regulations made under this section shall be subject to annulment in like manner as a statutory instrument and section 5 of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946 shall apply accordingly.
- (6) The administrators shall be entitled to appear and be heard on any appeal under this paragraph.
- (7) In this paragraph—

"the administrators", in relation to a pension scheme, means the persons entrusted with the administration of the scheme;

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"member", in relation to a pension scheme, means a person whose service in an office is, was or is to be subject to the scheme;

"relevant pension scheme" means any pension scheme constituted under or by virtue of this Act;

"rules", in relation to a relevant pension scheme, means the provisions of this Act, and of any regulations or orders made under this Act, so far as relating to that scheme.]

Textual Amendments

- F1 Sch. 10 para. 7B inserted (31.3.1995) by virtue of 1993 c.8, s. 24, Sch. 3 Pt. III, para. 7(4); S.I. 1995/631, art. 2
- **F2** Words in Sch. 10 para. 7B(3)(b) substituted (13.1.2020) by The Marriage (Same-sex Couples) and Civil Partnership (Opposite-sex Couples) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1514), regs. 1(2), **60(b)** (with regs. 6-9)

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