

Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1977

1977 CHAPTER 5

Adjustment of benefit

7 Review of limits relating to earnings

- (1) In section 125 of the principal Act (which requires the Secretary of State to determine in each tax year whether the sums specified in the provisions mentioned in paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) of that section have retained their value in relation to the general level of earnings or prices in Great Britain and, if they have not, to provide for them to be increased by an order approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament) after the said paragraph (b) there shall be inserted the following paragraph—
 - "(c) sections 30(1), 45(3) and 66(4) of this Act, excluding paragraphs (a) and (b) of those provisions."
- (2) At the end of subsection (2) of the said section 125 (under which the Secretary of State is required, in making a determination as to value under that section, to have regard in certain cases to prices only and in other cases to earnings or prices, whichever he considers more advantageous to beneficiaries) there shall be inserted the words " and shall have regard only to earnings as respects the sums specified in the provisions mentioned in subsection (1)(c) of this section ".
- (3) At the end of section 126(4) of the principal Act (which among other things authorises the Secretary of State, in preparing a draft up-rating order, to round any sum up or down as he thinks fit having regard to the nature and amount of the relevant benefit) after the words "having regard "there shall be inserted the words ", in the case of a sum specified in a provision mentioned in section 125(1)(a) or (b), ".
- (4) In section 126(5) of the principal Act (which requires a draft of an up-rating order to provide, except in certain cases, that the increase which the order makes of any sum comes into force within 12 months of the coming into force of the provision fixing that sum) after the words "of 12 months" there shall be inserted the words "or, in the case of the first increase by order of a sum specified in a provision mentioned in section 125(1)(c), the prescribed period ".