

*These notes refer to the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act  
1999 (c.30) which received Royal Assent on 11 November 1999*

# **WELFARE REFORM AND PENSIONS ACT 1999**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY**

#### *Supplementary*

#### *Chapter II – Sharing of State Scheme Rights*

#### *Section 50: Effect of state scheme pension debits and credits*

*Subsection (1)* gives effect to Schedule 6.

*Subsection (2)* provides that for incremental periods from 6 April 2010, section 55C of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (inserted by Schedule 6 to this Act) will be modified to reflect the changes made to section 55 and Schedule 5 of that Act by the Pensions Act 1995. In effect, from April 2010 a person may defer taking the state pension indefinitely and the rate of increment earned will be higher.