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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1987 (“the Claims and Payments Regulations”) ([S.I. 1987/1968](#)).

Regulation 2 amends regulation 4(11) of the Claims and Payments Regulations to allow a claim for a bereavement benefit or a social fund payment for funeral expenses to be made by telephone call to a number specified by the Secretary of State. Regulation 2(1) of the Claims and Payments Regulations has the effect that the reference to a bereavement benefit covers bereavement payment, widowed parent’s allowance, and bereavement allowance.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the private or voluntary sectors.