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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Education (Student Support) Regulations 2011**

**PART 4**

**FEE SUPPORT**

**CHAPTER 3**

**FEE LOANS FOR CURRENT SYSTEM STUDENTS**

**Amount of fee loan for transferring students**

**24.**—(1) If a student's status as an eligible student is transferred from one designated course to another under regulation 7 and the circumstances in paragraph (2) apply, the student may apply to the Secretary of State to borrow an additional amount by way of a fee loan in respect of the academic year of the course to which that student transfers.

(2) The circumstances are—

(a) the fees payable in respect of the academic year of the course to which the current system student transfers exceed the fees payable in respect of the academic year of the course from which the student is transferring; and

(b) the academic year of the course to which the current system student transfers does not begin on a later date than the academic year of the course from which the student is transferring.

(3) If a student's status as an eligible student is transferred from one designated course to another under regulation 7 and the circumstances in paragraph (4) apply, the student may apply to the Secretary of State for another fee loan in respect of the academic year of the course to which the student transfers.

(4) The circumstances are that the academic year of the course to which the current system student transfers begins on a later date than the academic year of the course from which that student is transferring.

(5) Where the circumstances in paragraph (2) apply, the maximum additional amount that the current system student may borrow in respect of the academic year to which that student transfers, provided that the student qualifies for a fee loan in respect of that year, is determined by deducting the amount of any fee loan the student has taken out under these Regulations in respect of the academic year from which the student is transferring from the lesser of—

(a) the maximum amount specified in paragraph (3) to (6) of regulation 23 applicable in the student's case; and

(b) the fees payable by the student in respect of the academic year to which the student is transferring.

(6) Where the circumstances in paragraph (4) apply, the maximum amount of fee loan that a current system student may borrow in respect of the academic year to which that student transfers provided that the student qualifies for a fee loan in respect of that year is the lesser of—

- (a) the amount specified in paragraph (3) to (6) of regulation 23 applicable in the student's case; and
- (b) the fees payable by the student in connection with that year.

(7) Where a current system student has applied for a fee loan of less than the maximum amount available in relation to an academic year, that student may apply to borrow an additional amount which when added to the amount already applied for does not exceed the relevant maximum applicable in that student's case.

(8) If a student's status as an eligible student is transferred from one course to another under these Regulations and the circumstances in paragraph (9) apply, the student may apply to the Secretary of State to reduce the amount of fee loan applied for in respect of the remainder of the academic year.

(9) The circumstances are—

- (a) the fees payable in respect of the academic year of the course to which the current system student transfers are lower than the fees payable in respect of the academic year of the course from which the student is transferring;
- (b) the academic year of the course to which the current system student transfers does not begin on a later date than the academic year of the course from which the student is transferring.

(10) For the purposes of paragraph (9), the "remainder of the academic year" means the period of the academic year in respect of which the academic authority has not made a request to the Secretary of State for payment of the fee loan or fee loan instalment.