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DEFENCE

**The Armed Forces Act 2016 (Commencement No. 1)
Regulations 2017**

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The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 19(1) of the Armed Forces Act 2016(a).

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Armed Forces Act 2016 (Commencement No. 1) Regulations 2017.

Commencement

2. Section 15 of the Armed Forces Act 2016 (war pensions committees and armed and reserve forces compensation schemes) comes into force on the day after the day on which these Regulations are made.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

20th November 2017

Tobias Ellwood
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Ministry of Defence

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations bring into force section 15 of the Armed Forces Act 2016 (c. 21) on the day after the day on which these Regulations are made.

Section 15 amends section 25 of the Social Security Act 1989 (c. 24), which makes provision for the establishment and functions of war pensions committees by regulations.

The amendments made by section 15 allow the Secretary of State to give war pensions committees additional functions relating to benefits payable under armed and reserve forces compensation schemes established under the Armed Forces (Pensions and Compensation) Act 2004 (c. 32) (such as the scheme provided for in the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation Scheme) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/517)). They also provide for the naming of war pensions committees.

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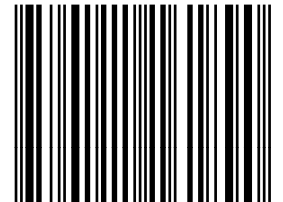
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