#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2021 No. 886

The Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (Disability Assistance, Young Carer Grants, Short-term Assistance and Winter Heating Assistance)
(Consequential Provision and Modifications) Order 2021

## PART 7

Winter heating assistance: Northern Ireland

Winter heating assistance: capital and income disregards

#### Amendment of the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987

- **36.**—(1) The Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(1) are amended as follows.
- (2) In Schedule 10 (capital to be disregarded) (as amended by articles 17(3), 23(2) and 30(3) of this Order), after paragraph 69 insert—
  - "70. Any winter heating assistance given in accordance with regulations made under section 30 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018."

## Amendment of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

- **37.**—(1) The Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(2) are amended as follows.
- (2) In Schedule 7 (capital to be disregarded) (as amended by articles 18(3), 24(2) and 31(3) of this Order), after paragraph 62 insert—
  - "63. Any winter heating assistance given in accordance with regulations made under section 30 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018.".

# Amendment of the State Pension Credit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003

- **38.**—(1) The State Pension Credit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003(3) are amended as follows.
- (2) In regulation 15(1) (income for the purposes of the Act) (as amended by articles 19(2), 25(2) and 32(2) of this Order), after sub-paragraph (qf) insert—
  - "(qg) winter heating assistance given in accordance with regulations made under section 30 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018;".

<sup>(1)</sup> S.R. 1987 No. 459; relevant amending instruments are S.I 2019/1060 and S.R. 2019 No. 195.

<sup>(2)</sup> S.R. 1996 No. 198; relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2019/1060.

<sup>(3)</sup> S.R. 2003 No. 28; relevant amending instruments is S.I. 2019/1060 and S.R. 2019 No. 195.

- (3) In Part 1 of Schedule 5 (capital disregarded for the purpose of calculating income) (as amended by articles 19(3), 25(3) and 32(3) of this Order), in paragraph 20(2), after head (v) insert—
  - "(w) winter heating assistance given in accordance with regulations made under section 30 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018."

### Amendment of the Housing Benefit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006

- **39.**—(1) The Housing Benefit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006(4) are amended as follows.
- (2) In Schedule 7 (capital to be disregarded) (as amended by article 26(2) of this Order), after paragraph 63 insert—
  - "64. Any winter heating assistance given in accordance with regulations made under section 30 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018.".

# Amendment of the Housing Benefit (Persons who have attained the qualifying age for state pension credit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006

- **40.**—(1) The Housing Benefit (Persons who have attained the qualifying age for state pension credit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006(5) are amended as follows.
- (2) In regulation 27 (meaning of "income") (as amended by articles 21(2), 27(2) and 34(2) of this Order), after paragraph (1)(h)(xvg) insert—
  - "(xvh) winter heating assistance given in accordance with regulations made under section 30 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018;".
  - (3) In Part 1 of Schedule 7 (capital to be disregarded generally)—
    - (a) in paragraph 21(2) (as amended by articles 21(3), 27(3)(a) and 34(3) of this Order), after paragraph (t) insert—
      - "(u) winter heating assistance given in accordance with regulations made under section 30 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018;",
    - (b) after paragraph 28F (as inserted by article 27(3)(b) of this Order) insert—
      - "28G. Any sum paid by means of winter heating assistance in accordance with regulations made under section 30 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018."

# Amendment of the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008

- **41.**—(1) The Employment and Support Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008(6) are amended as follows.
- (2) In Schedule 9 (capital to be disregarded) (as amended by article 28(2) of this Order), after paragraph 60 insert—
  - "61. Any winter heating assistance given in accordance with regulations made under section 30 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018.".

## Amendment of the Universal Credit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

**42.**—(1) The Universal Credit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016(7) are amended as follows.

<sup>(4)</sup> S.R. 2006 No.405; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2019/1060.

<sup>(5)</sup> S.R. 2006 No. 406; relevant amending instruments S.I. 2019/1060.

<sup>(6)</sup> S.R. 2008 No. 280; relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2019/1060.

<sup>(7)</sup> S.R. 2016 No. 216; relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2019/1060.

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- (2) In Schedule 10 (capital to be disregarded) (as amended by article 29(2) of this Order), after paragraph 25 insert—
  - "26. Any winter heating assistance given within the past 12 months in accordance with regulations made under section 30 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018.".