

Social Security Act 1985

1985 CHAPTER 53

An Act to amend the law relating to occupational pensions, social security and statutory sick pay; to empower the Secretary of State to amend section 1 of the Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979 and extend the Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) Act 1979; to make provision for pensions and gratuities for members of the Horserace Totalisator Board, the Horserace Betting Levy Board and the Gaming Board for Great Britain; and for connected purposes. [22nd July 1985]

Extent Information

E1 For extent see s. 31

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Words of enactment omitted under authority of Statute Law Revision Act 1948 (c. 62), s. 3
- C2 The base date version of this Act is as revised to 1.7.1992 and takes account of the effects on it of the consolidating legislation which came into force at that date.

F1PART I

OCCUPATIONAL PENSIONS

Textual Amendments

F1 Pt. I (ss. 1-6) repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2

PART II

SOCIAL SECURITY 7 **Textual Amendments** S. 7 repealed by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6) 8 Dock workers. (2) In regulation 133 of the M5 Social Security (Contributions) Regulations 1979 (reduction of primary Class 1 contributions of dock workers) for "0.35" there shall be substituted (3) Subsection (2) above shall be deemed to have come into force on 6th April 1984. **Textual Amendments** S. 8(1) repealed by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6) **Modifications etc. (not altering text)** The text of ss. 1, 6, 8(2)(3), 14, 21, 23–25, Sch. 1, Sch. 2 and Sch. 6 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991. **Marginal Citations M5** S.I. 1979/591. **Textual Amendments** Ss. 9-13 repealed by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6)

14 Special hardship allowance.

In section 60 of the M6Social Security Act 1975 (increase of disablement benefit for special hardship)—

- (a) the following subsection shall be inserted after subsection (1)—
 - "(1A) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide that in prescribed circumstances employed earner's employment in which a claimant

was engaged when the relevant accident took place but which was not his regular occupation is to be treated as if it had been his regular occupation.";

- (b) in subsection (2)(a), for the words "of his" there shall be substituted the words ", except to the extent that it falls to be treated as including such an occupation by virtue of regulations under subsection (1A) above,";
- (c) in subsection (6)—
 - (i) after the word "above", in the first place where it occurs, there shall be inserted the words "and to subsection (6A) below,"; and
 - (ii) for the words "his regular occupation within the meaning of subsection (1) above" there shall be substituted the words "the relevant occupation"; and
- (d) the following subsections shall be inserted after that subsection—
 - "(6A) A person who is entitled to an increase of pension under this section by virtue of regulations under subsection (1A) above shall not be paid such an increase for any period during which he would not normally be engaged in full-time employed earner's employment.
 - (6B) In subsection (6) above "the relevant occupation" means—
 - (a) in relation to a person who is entitled to an increase of pension under this section by virtue of regulations under subsection (1A) above, the occupation in which he was engaged when the relevant accident took place; and
 - (b) in relation to any other person who is entitled to an increase of pension under this section, his regular occupation within the meaning of subsection (1) above.".

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C6 The text of ss. 1, 6, 8(2)(3), 14, 21, 23–25, Sch. 1, Sch. 2 and Sch. 6 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Marginal Citations M6 1975 c. 14.

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Textual Amendments

F8 Ss. 15–17 repealed by Social Security Act 1986 (c. 50), **Sch. 11**

PART III

	STATUTORY SICK PAY
18	F9
Textu F9	al Amendments S. 18 repealed by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6)
19	F10
	al Amendments S. 19 repealed by Statutory Sick Pay Act 1991 (c. 3), s. 3(2)(6),Sch.
20	F11
Textu F11	al Amendments S. 20 repealed by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6)
21	Miscellaneous amendments relating to statutory sick pay.
	The enactments specified in Schedule 4 shall have effect subject to the amendments there specified.
Modi	fications etc. (not altering text) The tout of as 1.6.8(2)(2), 14.21, 22, 25. Seb. 1. Seb. 2 and Seb. 6 is in the form in which it was

C7 The text of ss. 1, 6, 8(2)(3), 14, 21, 23–25, Sch. 1, Sch. 2 and Sch. 6 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

PART IV

MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTARY

Miscellaneous

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Textual Amendments

F12 S. 22 repealed by Social Security Act 1986 (c. 50), **Sch. 11**

23 Vaccine damage payments.

In section 1 of the M7Vaccine Damage Payments Act 1979—

- (a) in subsection (1), for "£10,000" there shall be substituted "the relevant statutory sum";
- (b) the following subsection shall be inserted after that subsection—
 - "(1A) In subsection (1) above "statutory sum" means £10,000 or such other sum as is specified by the Secretary of State for the purposes of this Act by order made by statutory instrument with the consent of the Treasury; and the relevant statutory sum for the purposes of that subsection is the statutory sum at the time when a claim for payment is first made."; and
- (c) the following subsection shall be inserted after subsection (4)—
 - "(4A) No order shall be made by virtue of subsection (1A) above unless a draft of the order has been laid before Parliament and been approved by a resolution of each House."

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

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Marginal Citations

M7 1979 c. 17.

24 Power to extend Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) Act 1979.

In the M8Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) Act 1979—

- (a) in section 1—
 - (i) at the end of subsection (3) there shall be added the words "and any other disease which is specified by the Secretary of State for the purposes of this Act by order made by statutory instrument."; and
 - (ii) the following subsection shall be added after subsection (4)—
 - "(5) No order shall be made under this section unless a draft of the order has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament."; and
- (b) in section 4(4)—
 - (i) the words "other than a disease specified in an order under section 1 above," shall be inserted after "applies," in paragraphs (a) and (b); and
 - (ii) the following paragraphs shall be added after paragraph (b)—
 - "(c) in the case of a person disabled by a disease specified in an order under section 1 above, means the date

- on which disablement benefit first became payable to him in respect of the disease or the date of the coming into force of the order, whichever is the later;
- (d) in the case of the dependant of a person who, immediately before he died, was disabled by a disease specified in an order under section 1 above, means the date of the deceased's death or the date of the coming into force of the order, whichever is the later."

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

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Marginal Citations

M8 1979 c. 41.

F1325	Pensions	and g	ratuities	for 1	nembers	of certain	Boards.

Textual Amendments

F13 S. 25 repealed (1.9.2007) by Gambling Act 2005 (c. 19), s. 358(1), **Sch. 17** (with ss. 352, 354); S.I. 2006/3272, Sch. 3B (as inserted by S.I. 2007/2169, arts. 3, 6, Sch.) (with Sch. 4 (as amended by S.I. 2007/1157, arts. 7-12 and S.I. 2007/2169, arts. 7-11))

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

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Supplementary

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Textual Amendments

F14 S. 26 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2

Textual Amendments

F15 S. 27 repealed by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6)

28 Financial provision.

(1) Any expenses of a Minister of the Crown incurred in consequence of the provisions of this Act, including any increase attributable to those provisions in sums payable under any other Act, shall be defrayed out of money provided by Parliament.

Textual Amendments

F16 S. 28(2) repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, **Sch. 5 Pt.I** (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, **art. 2**

29 Minor and consequential amendments and repeals.

- (1) The enactments mentioned in Schedule 5 to this Act shall have effect with the amendments there specified.
- (2) The enactments mentioned in Schedule 6 to this Act are repealed to the extent specified in the third column of that Schedule.

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Textual Amendments

F17 S. 30 repealed by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6)

31 Extent.

- (2) Section 29 above extends to Northern Ireland so far as it relates—
 - (a) to paragraphs 1, 2, 35, 37 and 39 of Schedule 5 to this Act; and
 - (b) to the repeal in Schedule 6 to this Act of paragraph 6 of Schedule 7 to the M9Health and Social Security Act 1984.
- (3) Section 30 above, this section, and sections 32 and 33 below extend to Northern Ireland.
- (4) Section 23 above extends to Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man.
- (5) Except as provided by subsections (1) to (4) above, this Act extends to England and Wales and Scotland only.

Textual Amendments

F18 S. 31(1) repealed by Social Security Act 1990 (c. 27), **Sch. 7**

Marginal Citations	
M9 1984 c. 48.	

32 Commencement.

- (1) Subject to the following provisions of this section, the provisions of this Act shall come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument appoint and different days may be appointed in pursuance of this section for different provisions or different purposes of the same provision.
- (2) The following provisions of this Act section 4, so far as it relates to Part I of Schedule 3; section 6(5) and (6); section 8; sections 10 and 11; section 13(6) and (7); F19. section 19: F19. sections 23 to 28; section 29(1) so far as it relates to paragraphs 22, 34, 36 and 37 of Schedule 5; section 29(2), so far as it relates to the repeals in section 41D of the M10 Social Security Pensions Act 1975: section 22(7) of the MII Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1977; the M12 Social Security Act 1981; and the Health and Social Security Act 1984; sections 30 and 31; this section; and section 33,

shall come into force on the day this Act is passed.

(3) The following provisions of this Act—

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section 17:
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section 29(1), so far as it relates to paragraphs 7, 8 and 14 of Schedule 5;

section 29(2), so far as it relates to the repeals in sections 79, 82 and 90 of the M13Social Security Act 1975,

shall come into force at the end of the period of 6 weeks beginning with the day on which this Act is passed.

- (5) Sections 18 and 20 above shall come into force on 6th April 1986.
- (6) The Secretary of State may by regulations made by statutory instrument make such transitional and consequential provision (including provision modifying any enactment contained in this or any other Act) or saving as he considers necessary or expedient in connection with the coming into force of any provision of this Act or the operation of any enactment which is repealed or amended by a provision of this Act during any period when the repeal or amendment is not wholly in force.

- (7) Regulations under this section shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (8) [F21]Section 175(3) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992](which among other things make provision about the extent of powers to make regulations) shall apply to the power to make regulations conferred by this section as they apply to any power to make regulations conferred by that Act.

Textual Amendments

F19 Words repealed by Social Security Act 1986 (c. 50), Sch. 11

F20 S. 32(4) repealed, and deemed never to have been enacted, by Social Security Act 1990 (c. 27), s. 5(3) and Sch. 7 (retrospectively superseded by s. 165B(3) and (4) of Social Security Act 1975)

F21 Words substituted by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6), Sch. 2, para. 68

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C11 Power conferred by s. 32(1) fully exercised by S.I. 1985/1125 and S.I. 1985/1364

Marginal Citations

M10 1975 c. 60.

M11 1977 c. 5.

M12 1981 c. 33

M13 1975 c. 14.

33 Citation.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Social Security Act 1985.
- (2) This Act may be cited together with—
 - (a) the Social Security Acts 1975 to 1984; and
 - (b) section 25 of the M14Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983 and Schedule 8 to that Act,

as the Social Security Acts 1975 to 1985.

Marginal Citations

M14 1983 c. 41.

SCHEDULES

F22SCHEDULE 1

Textual Amendments

F22 Sch. 1 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2

F23SCHEDULE 2

Textual Amendments

F23 Sch. 2 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188. Sch. 5 Pt. I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2

F24SCHEDULE 3

Textual Amendments

F24 Sch.3 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2

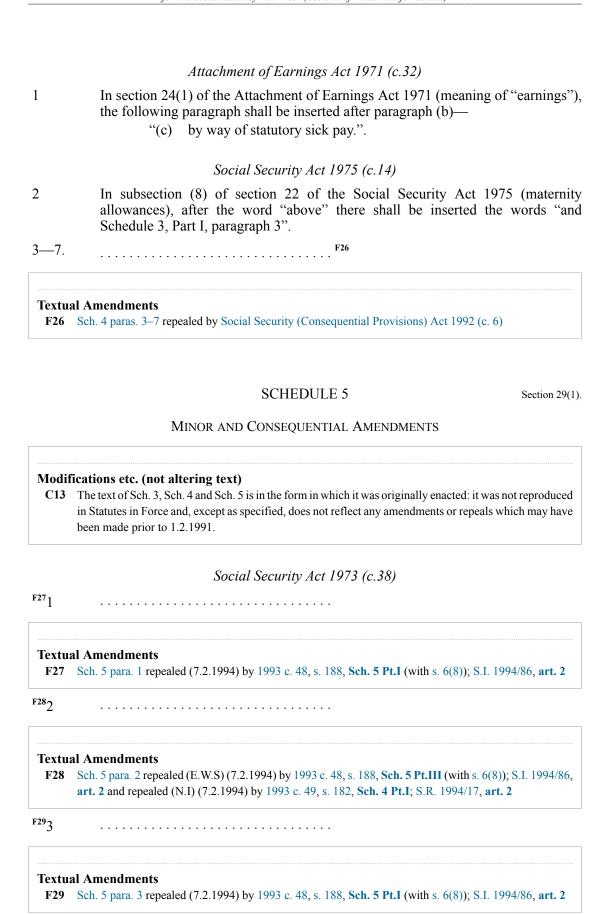
SCHEDULE 4

Section 21.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS RELATING TO STATUTORY SICK PAY

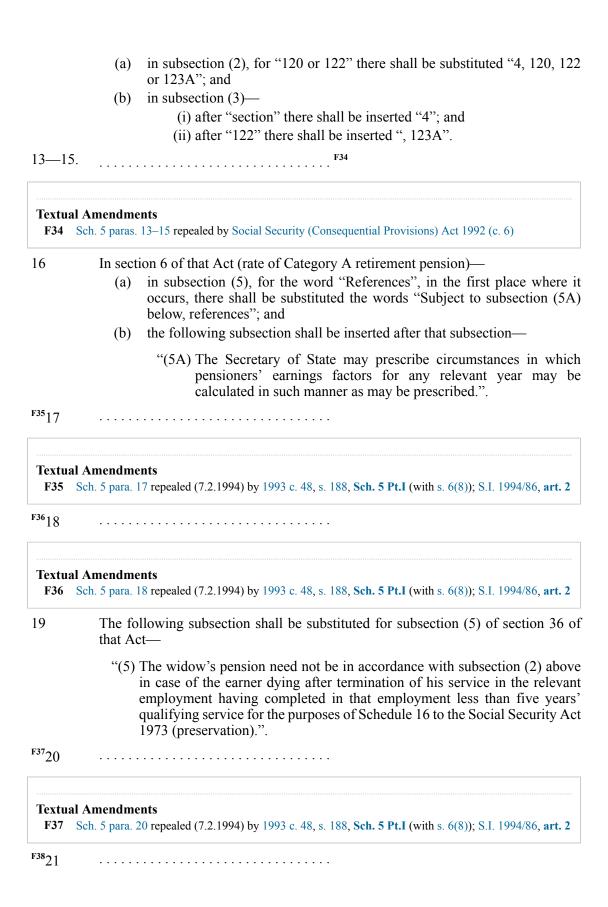
Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C12 The text of Sch. 3, Sch. 4 and Sch. 5 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and, except as specified, does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.



F304	
Textu F30	nal Amendments Sch. 5 para. 4 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2
	Social Security Act 1975 (c.14)
5	F31
Textu F31	ral Amendments Sch. 5 para. 5 repealed by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6)
6	In section 13 of that Act— (a) in paragraph (a) of subsection (5) (earnings factors), after the word "rise" there shall be inserted the words ", subject to subsection (5A) below,"; and (b) the following subsection shall be inserted after that subsection—
	"(5A) The Secretary of State may by regulations make such modifications of subsection (5)(a) above as appear to him to be appropriate in consequence of section 4(6B) above.".
7	The following subsection shall be added at the end of section 18 of that Act (duration of unemployment benefit)—
	 "(4) Regulations may provide for treating a person for the purposes of this section as having been entitled to unemployment benefit for any day if he would have been entitled to it but for— (a) failure to make a claim; or (b) failure to make a claim within the prescribed time;
	but a person is not to be so treated where he shows that he did not intend, by so failing, to avoid the necessity of requalifying for benefit.".
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Textu F32	nal Amendments Sch. 5 paras. 8, 9 repealed by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6)
10	The following paragraph shall be substituted for subsection (1)(d) of section 124 of that Act (power to increase rates of benefit)— "(d) section 30(1) above".
11	F33
Textu F33	ral Amendments Sch. 5 para. 11 repealed by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6)

12 In section 167 of that Act (parliamentary control or orders and regulations)—



Textua F38	Al Amendments Sch. 5 para. 21 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2
22	F39
Textua F39	Al Amendments Sch. 5 para. 22 repealed by Social Security Act 1990 (c. 27), Sch. 7
F4023	
Textu	al Amendments
F40	Sch. 5 para. 23 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2
F4124	
Textua F41	Al Amendments Sch. 5 para. 24 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt. I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2
^{F42} 25	
Textua F42	Al Amendments Sch. 5 para. 25 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2
^{F43} 26	
Textua F43	Al Amendments Sch. 5 para. 26 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2.
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Toytu	al Amendments
F44	Sch. 5 para. 27 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2.
28	In section 46 of that Act (provisions as to actuarial tables) the words "sections 44(7), 44A(3) and 45(4)" shall be substituted—
	(a) in subsection (1), for the words "sections 44(7) and 45(4)"; and(b) in subsection (3), for the words "section 44(7) and 45(4)".
F4529	

Textu	al Amendments
F45	Sch. 5 para. 29 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2 .
F4630	
Textu F46	al Amendments Sch. 5 para. 30 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2
F4731	
F47	al Amendments Sch. 5 para. 31 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2
F4832	
Textu F48	al Amendments Sch. 5 para. 32 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2
33	The words "under section 38 of this Act" shall be omitted from subsection (5)(b) of section 59 of that Act (increase of official pensions).
F4934	
F49	al Amendments Sch. 5 para. 34 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2
35	In subsection (4) of section 68 of that Act (provisions extending to Northern Ireland) for the words "Section 57 of this Act extends" there shall be substituted the words "Sections 56B, 56N and 57 of this Act extend".
F5036	
Textu F50	al Amendments Sch. 5 para. 36 repealed (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 48, s. 188, Sch. 5 Pt.I (with s. 6(8)); S.I. 1994/86, art. 2

Social Security Act 1980 (c.30)

In section 9(7) of the Social Security Act 1980, for the words "the Social Security Acts 1975 to 1984)", in both places where they occur, there shall be substituted with words "the Social Security Acts 1975 to 1985".

Social Security and Housing Benefits Act 1982 (c.24)

In section 20 of the Social Security and Housing Benefits Act 1982 (offences and penalties) "3(4A)(b)" shall be inserted after "section".

Health and Social Security Act 1984 (c.48)

In section 26(5) of the Health and Social Security Act 1984, for the words from "and" in the first place where it occurs to "extend" there shall be substituted the words "extends".

Social Security (Contributions) Regulations 1979 (S.I. 1979/591)

In regulation 98(c) of the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations 1979 (amount of Class 2 contribution of share fishermen) "£6.30" shall be substituted for "£7.55".

SCHEDULE 6

Section 29(2).

REPEALS

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C14 The text of ss. 1, 6, 8(2)(3), 14, 21, 23–25, Sch. 1, Sch. 2 and Sch. 6 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Short title	Extent of repeal
Social Security Act 1973.	In Schedule 16, paragraph 6(1)(a).
Social Security Act 1975.	Section 28(2) so far as unrepealed.
	In section 39(2), the words "or Category D".
	Section 45(3) and (4).
	Section 79(1), (2) and (4).
	Section 82(1) and (2).
	In section 90(3), the reference to subsection (1) of section 79.
	In section 125(1), the words "in the month of June".
	In section 126A(1), the wor "in the month of June".
	Social Security Act 1973.

		In Schedule 4, in Part III, in paragraph 5, the words "or Category D".				
1975 c. 60.	Social Security Pensions Act 1975.	In section 26(2), the words "this Part of".				
		In section 34(4), paragraph (b) and the word "or" immediately preceding it.				
		Section 41A(4)(i).				
		Section 41B(4).				
		In section 41D, the words "or not".				
		In section 59(5)(b), the words "under section 38 of this Act".				
		In section 66, in subsection (1), the definition of "accrued rights", and subsection (5).				
		In Schedule 4, paragraph 36(b).				
Chapter	Short title	Extent of Repeal				
1977 c. 5.	Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1977.	In section 5(1), the words from "and accordingly" onwards.				
		In section 22, in subsection (7), the words "35(7) and" and subsections (9) to (11).				
1979 c. 18.	Social Security Act 1979.	In Schedule 1, paragraph 11.				
1980 c. 30.	Social Security Act 1980.	In section 3, subsection (6) and in subsection (7), the words from "and in" to the end.				
1981 c. 33.	Social Security Act 1981.	In Schedule 2, paragraph 3.				
1982 c. 2.	Social Security	Section 1(5).				
	(Contributions) Act 1982.	In Schedule 1, paragraph 1(3).				
1982 c. 24.	Social Security and Housing Benefits Act 1982.	In section 5, in subsection (2), the words "or tax year", in subsection (3), the words from "or", in the first place where it occurs,				

to "question", in the second place where it occurs and in subsection (5), the words "tax year or".

Section 24.

In Schedule 1, paragraph 2(h).

In Schedule 2, paragraphs 5 and 7 to 11.

1984 c. 48.

Health and Social Security Act 1984.

In Schedule 7, paragraph 6.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Social Security Act 1985.