

2001 CHAPTER 17

Loss of benefit provisions

Power to supplement and mitigate loss of benefit provisions

9.—(1) The Department may by regulations provide for any social security benefit to be treated for the purposes of sections 6 to 8—

- (a) as a disqualifying benefit but not a sanctionable benefit; or
- (b) as neither a sanctionable benefit nor a disqualifying benefit.

(2) The Department may by regulations provide for any restriction in section 6, 7 or 8 not to apply in relation to payments of benefit to the extent of any deduction that (if any payment were made) would fall, in pursuance of provision made by or under any statutory provision, to be made from the payments and paid to a person other than the offender or, as the case may be, a member of his family.

(3) In this section "social security benefit" means—

- (a) any benefit under the Contributions and Benefits Act or the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (c. 4);
- (b) any benefit under the Jobseekers Order or the Jobseekers Act 1995 (c. 18); or
- (c) any war pension.