

## SCHEDULE

### **Amendment of provisions of Acts and Orders relating to pensions and benefit payments, extending those provisions to civil partners and surviving civil partners**

#### **PART 4**

##### **Amendment of the Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1995**

21. The Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1995<sup>(1)</sup> is amended as follows.

22. In Article 41(4)(b) (provision of documents for members), after “spouses” there shall be inserted “or civil partners”.

23. In Article 63(2) (equal treatment rule: supplementary), for “family or marital status” there shall be substituted “family, marital or civil partnership status”.

24. In Article 89(5)<sup>(2)</sup> (inalienability of occupational pension), in sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (c), after “widower” there shall be inserted “, surviving civil partner”.

25. In Article 90(3) (forfeiture, etc.), for sub-paragraph (b) there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph—

“(b) the spouse, civil partner, widow, widower or surviving civil partner of the member,”.

26. In Article 121(1) (interpretation of Part II), after the definition of “the Authority” there shall be inserted the following definition—

““civil partnership status” in relation to a person, means whether that person has previously formed a civil partnership and, if so, whether that civil partnership has ended,”.

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<sup>(1)</sup> [S.I. 1995/3213 \(N.I. 22\)](#)

<sup>(2)</sup> Article 89(5) was amended by paragraph 46(4) of Schedule 9 to the Welfare Reform and Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1999