

*These notes refer to the Welfare Reform Act 2007  
(c.5) which received Royal Assent on 3rd May 2007*

# **WELFARE REFORM ACT 2007**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **PART 4: Miscellaneous**

#### **Disability living allowance: age conditions**

#### ***Section 52: Care component of disability living allowance: persons under the age of 16***

259. This section amends section 72 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992, which sets out the entitlement conditions to the care component of disability living allowance (section 72(1)). The entitlement conditions are modified in the case of claims for a period in which the claimant is under the age of 16 (section 72(6)). This section removes subsection (6) and replaces it with new subsections (1A) and (2A). The new subsections apply the same modifications to the standard entitlement conditions for the care component (in section 72(1)) but only if a person is under the age of 16 on the date on which the award would begin and only in relation to any period up to and including the day before a person reaches the age of 16. Consequential amendments are also made.