

*These notes refer to the Welfare Reform Act 2009 (c.24)
which received Royal Assent on 12 November 2009*

WELFARE REFORM ACT 2009

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1 – Social Security

Section 19: Community care grants relating to specified goods or services

116. Under the existing law, successful applicants for community care grant may be provided with cash to obtain the goods or services that the award covers. At the discretion of the appropriate officer, a payment may be made to a third party to provide the goods or services. These amendments to the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992, taken with those in [section 20](#), enable the Secretary of State to require that, where the goods or services are covered by arrangements the Secretary of State has made with a supplier, the award made must relate to specified goods or services and the payment would be made to the supplier. It is expected that these arrangements will involve the supply of white goods and furniture at a discounted rate.