#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 1993 No. 3121

# SOCIAL SECURITY

The Income Support (General)
Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1993

Made - - - - 10th December 1993
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Coming into force - 10th January 1994

The Secretary of State for Social Security, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 135(1), 137(1) and 175(1) to (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(1), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, after agreement by the Social Security Advisory Committee that proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it(2), hereby makes the following Regulations:

## Citation and commencement

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Income Support (General) Amendment (No.4) Regulations 1993 and shall come into force on 10th January 1994.

### Amendment of Schedule 3 to the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987

- 2. In Schedule 3 to the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987(3) (housing costs)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 8, for the words preceding the words "(b) paying off", there shall be substituted the words—
    - "8.—(1) Subject to paragraph 7A, there shall be met under this paragraph interest payable on any loan which is taken out, with or without security, for the purpose of—
      - (a) repairs and improvements to which paragraph 1(b) refers; or";
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 8, after the words "dwelling occupied as the home", in each place in which they occur, there shall be inserted the words "or where the dwelling forms part of a building any part of the building containing that dwelling"; and

<sup>(1) 1992</sup> c. 4; section 137(1) is an interpretation provision and is cited because of the meaning it ascribes to the word "prescribed".

<sup>(2)</sup> See the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (c. 5), section 173(1)(b).

<sup>(3)</sup> S.I.1987/1967; the relevant amending instruments are S.I.1990/547 and 1776, 1993/30 and 1679.

- (c) in sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 9, for head (c) there shall be substituted the following head—
  - "(c) any amount for repairs and improvements, and for this purpose the expression "repairs and improvements" has the same meaning it has in paragraph 8(3).".

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Security.

Department of Social Security 10th December 1993 Alistair Burt
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulation)

These Regulations further amend Schedule 3 to the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987, which relates to eligible housing costs. They provide that amounts for service charges for repairs and improvements to either the dwelling occupied as the home or, where the dwelling is part only of a building, to that building, are not to be taken into account in determining housing costs, but that interest on loans taken out to pay for service charges for repairs and improvements to such a dwelling are to be met.

The Regulations do not impose a charge on businesses.