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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2006 No. 213**

**The Housing Benefit Regulations 2006**

**PART 9**

Calculation of weekly amounts and changes of circumstances

**Date on which housing benefit is to end**

77. A claimant's entitlement to housing benefit shall cease at the end of the benefit week in which entitlement to income support or income-based jobseeker's allowance ceases where—

- (a) the claimant or his partner was entitled to and in receipt of income support or an income-based jobseeker's allowance or that claimant and his partner were entitled to and in receipt of a joint-claim jobseeker's allowance and that entitlement has ceased;
- (b) that entitlement to income support or income-based jobseeker's allowance has ceased by reason of the claimant or his partner—
  - (i) commencing employment as an employed or self-employed earner; or
  - (ii) increasing their earnings from such employment; or
  - (iii) increasing the number of hours worked in such employment;
- (c) the claimant had been entitled to and in receipt of income support or jobseeker's allowance for a continuous period of at least 26 weeks before the day on which his entitlement to income support or income-based jobseeker's allowance ceased, and for the purposes of this sub-paragraph—
  - (i) a claimant satisfies the conditions of this sub-paragraph if he has been entitled to and in receipt of a combination of income support and a jobseeker's allowance for at least 26 weeks;
  - (ii) the claimant shall be treated as having been entitled to and in receipt of income support or a jobseeker's allowance during any period of less than 5 weeks in respect of which he was not entitled to either of those because, as a consequence of his participation in an employment zone program, he was engaged in remunerative work;
  - (iii) references to the claimant include references to his partner;
  - (iv) a reference to the claimant being entitled to and in receipt of a jobseeker's allowance shall include a reference to the claimant and his partner being entitled to and in receipt of a joint-claim jobseeker's allowance; and
- (d) that work, increase in earnings or, as the case may be, increase in hours is expected to last at least 5 weeks or more.