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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2012 No. 863**

**The Welfare Reform Act 2012  
(Commencement No. 1) Order 2012**

**Appointed days**

2.—(1) The day after the day on which this Order is made is the day appointed for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Act—

- (a) section 47 (procedure for regulation-making powers);
- (b) section 51 (period of entitlement to contributory allowance), for the purpose only of exercising the power to make regulations in subsection (4)(1);
- (c) section 58(1) and (2) (entitlement of lone parents to income support etc);
- (d) section 128 (information-sharing between Secretary of State and DPP);
- (e) section 129 (unlawful disclosure of information supplied under section 128);
- (f) section 130 (information-sharing in relation to provision of overnight care etc), for the purpose only of exercising any power to make regulations;
- (g) section 131 (information-sharing in relation to welfare services etc), for the purpose only of exercising any power to make regulations;
- (h) section 132(8) (unlawful disclosure of information supplied under section 131); and
- (i) section 133(1) to (4) (sections 130 to 132: supplementary).

(2) 1st May 2012 is the day appointed for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Act—

- (a) section 51 (period of entitlement to contributory allowance), in so far as not already in force;
- (b) section 52 (further entitlement after time-limiting); and
- (c) section 53 (condition relating to youth).

(3) 8th May 2012 is the day appointed for the coming into force of the following provisions of the Act—

- (a) section 113 (penalty in respect of benefit fraud not resulting in overpayment);
- (b) section 114 (amount of penalty);
- (c) section 115 (period for withdrawal of agreement to pay penalty);
- (d) section 130 (information-sharing in relation to provision of overnight care etc), in so far as not already in force;
- (e) section 131 (information-sharing in relation to welfare services etc), in so far as not already in force;
- (f) section 132 (unlawful disclosure of information supplied under section 131), in so far as not already in force;

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(1) Section 51(4) of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 inserts a new paragraph 7(2)(f) into Schedule 4 to the Welfare Reform Act 2007 (c. 5).

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- (g) section 143 (standards of decision-making);
- (h) section 144 (use of jobcentres by sex industry);
- (i) section 146 (UK child poverty strategies); and
- (j) Part 14 of Schedule 14 (repeals: standards of decision-making).