2000 No. 533

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Housing Benefit (Permitted Totals) (Amendment) Order 2000

Made - - - -	*1st March 2000*
Laid before Parliament	*8th March 2000*
Coming into force	*1st April 2000*

The Secretary of State for Social Security, in exercise of powers conferred by section 134(12) and 189(1) and (3) to (6) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992**(a)** and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, after consultation with organisations appearing to him to be representative of the authorities concerned**(b)**, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Housing Benefit (Permitted Totals) (Amendment) Order 2000 and shall come into force on 1st April 2000.

Substitution of Schedule to the Housing Benefit (Permitted Totals) Order 1996

2. For the Schedule to the Housing Benefit (Permitted Totals) Order 1996**(c)** there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in the Schedule to this Order.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Security

Angela Eagle
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Social Security

1st March 2000

[Schedule subsitutes the Schedule in S.I.1996/677]

(a) 1992 c. 5; section 134(12) was substituted by section 121 of, and paragraph 1(8) of Schedule 12 to, the Housing Act 1996 (c. 52).
(b) *See* section 176(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (c. 5).
(c) S.I. 1996/677; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1996/2326, S.I. 1998/566 and S.I. 1999/642.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Housing Benefit (Permitted Totals) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/677). This Order limits the amount by which housing benefit may be increased on the exercise of the discretion provided by regulation 61(2) and (3) of the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations 1987 (S.I. 1987/1971).

This Order does not impose a charge on business.