

PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU: APPROVAL OF SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

AFFIRMATIVE INSTRUMENTS

[Provision of Early Learning and Childcare \(Specified Children\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

1. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: That the Parliament agrees that the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare (Specified Children) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft) be approved.

Purpose

2. To amend the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare (Specified Children) Order 2014, as amended to protect eligibility for 2-year-old children who qualify for access to funded early learning and childcare (ELC) due to their parents' receipt of Working Tax Credits and Child Tax Credits, or Universal Credit.

Consideration by committee

3. At its meeting on 8 March 2023 the Education, Children and Young People Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 13 March 2023.

[Alcoholic Beverages, Fruit and Vegetables \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

4. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: That the Parliament agrees that the Alcoholic Beverages, Fruit and Vegetables (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft) be approved.

Purpose

5. To amend rules concerning the labelling of alcohol content and vine varieties on wines and add flexibility on how the terms 'alc' / 'vol' can be shown in relation to the numerical alcohol content for all alcoholic drinks. These Regulations will also make some corrections to Article 11(1) of Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 due to a minor error in a recent statutory instrument.

Consideration by committee

6. At its meeting on 15 March 2023 the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 16 March 2023.

[Social Security \(Up-rating\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

7. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: That the Parliament agrees that the Social Security (Up-rating) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft) be approved.

Purpose

8. To fulfil the duty on the Scottish Government to consider the effects of inflation on a range of benefits, uplifting the following by 10.1%: Adult Disability Payment, Child Disability Payment, Child Winter Heating Assistance, Winter Heating Payment, Funeral Support Payment, Young Carers Grant, Best Start Foods, Best Start Grant.

9. The Regulations also make amendments to the Social Security (Invalid Care Allowance) Regulations 1976 and the Social Security Benefit (Dependency) Regulations 1977. These amendments make changes to earnings limits used to determine entitlement to carer's allowance and to additional payments payable to carer's allowance recipients. The regulations also include amendments to the Best Start Foods earnings limits.

Consideration by committee

10. At its meeting on 23 February 2023 the Social Justice and Social Security Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 14 March 2023.

[Social Security Up-rating \(Scotland\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

11. Under Rule 10.6.5, the Bureau is required to lodge the following motion—

George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: That the Parliament agrees that the Social Security Up-rating (Scotland) Order 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft) be approved.

Purpose

12. To fulfil the statutory duty on Scottish Ministers to review the rates of social security benefits that they are responsible for and provide for the uprating of certain benefits. Various weekly rates of payment of Attendance Allowance, Carer's Allowance, Disability Living Allowance, Industrial Injuries Disablement

Benefit, Industrial Death Benefit, Personal Independence Payment and Severe Disablement Allowance will increase.

13. The Order also restates the amount of Child Dependency Increase as an additional weekly payment payable to some recipients of Carer's Allowance and Severe Disablement Allowance and an increase to the Adult Dependency Increase as an additional weekly payment payable to some recipients of Severe Disablement Allowance. Other associated benefits of the Severe Disablement Allowance and Industrial Injuries Scheme benefits will also increase.

Consideration by committee

14. At its meeting on 23 February 2023 the Social Justice and Social Security Committee agreed to recommend that the regulations be approved. The Committee report was published on 14 March 2023.

Decision

15. Business Managers are invited note that the above motions will be lodged.

16. Business Managers should reserve their position if their party intends to speak against or oppose the motions.

**Parliamentary Business Team
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