1983 No. 10

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Contributions) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983

Made . . . . . 28th January 1983

Coming into operation . . . 6th April 1983

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 137(5) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations which correspond to provision contained in regulations made by the Secretary of State for Social Services in relation to Great Britain and which accordingly, by virtue of section 10(2) of, and paragraph 21 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security Act 1980(**b**) are not subject to the requirement of section 10(1) of that Act for prior reference to the Social Security Advisory Committee:

Citation, commencement, interpretation and application

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Contributions) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983 and shall come into operation on 6th April 1983.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(**c**).

(3) These regulations shall have effect only in relation to—

(*a*) any offence of contravening or failing to comply with the requirements of the principal regulations in respect of which no special penalty is provided which is committed after 5th April 1983;

(*b*) such part of any offence of continuing the contravention of or failure to comply with any requirements of the principal regulations in respect of which no special penalty is provided after conviction thereof as occurs after 5th April 1983.

Amendment of regulation 124 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 124 of the principal regulations (breach of regulations) for "£50" and "£10" there shall be substituted respectively "£200" and "£20".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 28th January 1983.

(L.S.) *A. N. Burns*

Assistant Secretary

(**a**) 1975 c. 15; section 137(5) was amended by Article 4 of, and paragraph 3(*b*) of the Schedule to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (S.I. 1981/1118 (N.I. 25))

(**b**) 1980 c. 30

(**c**) S.R. 1979 No. 186, to which there are amendments not relevant to these regulations

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations further amend the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 ("the principal regulations"). They increase from £50 to £200 the maximum penalty on summary conviction of an offence of contravening or failing to comply with any requirement of the principal regulations for which no special penalty is provided and, where the offence consists of continuing the contravention or failure after conviction, they increase the maximum penalty from £10 to £20 for each day on which the offence is continued.

The increased penalties are only applicable in respect of offences committed after 5th April 1983, or in the case of a continuing offence to that part of the offence which occurs after 5th April 1983.