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SOCIAL WELFARE AND PENSIONS ACT 2005

AN ACT TO AMEND AND EXTEND THE SOCIAL WELFARE ACTS AND, FOR THE PURPOSE OF GIVING EFFECT TO DIRECTIVE 2003/41/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL¹ AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, TO AMEND AND EXTEND THE PENSIONS ACT 1990. [14th March, 2005]

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:

PART 1

SHORT TITLE, CONSTRUCTION, COLLECTIVE CITATION AND COMMENCEMENT

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Social Welfare and Pensions Act 2005.

Short title, construction, collective citation and commencement.

(2) The Social Welfare Acts and *sections 1 to 26* of this Act shall be read together as one.

(3) *Sections 27 to 39* of this Act and the Pensions Acts 1990 to 2004 may be cited together as the Pensions Acts 1990 to 2005.

(4) *Sections 7(1), 16 and 24 to 39* of this Act shall come into operation on such day or days as the Minister may appoint by order or orders either generally or with reference to any particular purpose or provision, and different days may be so appointed for different purposes and different provisions.

(5) An order under *subsection (4)* may, in respect of the repeals or amendments effected by *section 26* of this Act of the provisions specified in *Schedule 4* to this Act, appoint different days for the repeal or amendment of different provisions or for the repeal or amendment for different purposes of any provision.

(6) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, different days may be so appointed for the coming into operation of *section 37* of this Act as respects different provisions of the Part inserted in the Pensions Act 1990 by that section.

¹ OJ No. L235 29.9.2003, p.10