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THE STATES OF DELIBERATION Of the ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

THE SEVERE DISABILITY BENEFIT AND CARER'S ALLOWANCE (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 2022

The States are asked to decide:-

Whether they are of the opinion to approve the draft Ordinance entitled "The Severe Disability Benefit and Carer's Allowance (Amendment) Ordinance, 2022", and to direct that the same shall have effect as an Ordinance of the States.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Ordinance amends the weekly rate of severe disability benefit and carer's allowance and the annual income limits under the Severe Disability Benefit and Carer's Allowance (Guernsey) Law, 1984 with effect from the 2nd January, 2023. The rates of severe disability benefit and the annual income limits are increased by 7% in line with the annual rate of inflation (RPIX) for the year ending 30th June, 2022. The rate of carer's allowance is increased by 10%.

The Severe Disability Benefit and Carer's Allowance Ordinance, 2022

THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolution of the 3rd November, 2022^a, and in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 1(4), 2(3)(b), 3 and 23 of the Severe Disability and Carer's Allowance (Guernsey) Law, 1984^b and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order:-

Entitlement to severe disability benefit.

1. The amount determined for the purposes of section 1(4) of the Law is £113,400.

Entitlement to carer's allowance.

2. The amount determined for the purposes of section 2(3)(b) of the Law is £113,400.

Rates of allowances.

- 3. (1) The weekly rate of a severe disability benefit determined for the purposes of section 3 of the Law is £121.52.
- (2) The weekly rate of a carer's allowance determined for the purposes of section 3 of the Law is £101.09.

^a Article II of Billet d'État No. XIX of 2022.

b Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXVIII p. 353. This enactment has been amended.

Interpretation.

4. In this Ordinance, "**the Law**" means the Severe Disability Benefit and Carer's Allowance (Guernsey) Law, 1984.

Repeal.

The Severe Disability Benefit and Carer's Allowance (No. 2) Ordinance,
 2021^c is repealed.

Citation.

6. This Ordinance may be cited as the Severe Disability Benefit and Carer's Allowance Ordinance, 2022.

Extent.

7. This Ordinance shall have effect in the Islands of Guernsey, Alderney, Herm and Jethou.

Commencement.

8. This Ordinance shall come into force on the 2nd January, 2023.

c Ordinance No. XLI of 2021.