

THE STATES OF DELIBERATION
of the
ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

THE SEVERE DISABILITY BENEFIT AND CARER'S ALLOWANCE ORDINANCE, 2019

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 Ordinance, 2019", and to direct that the same shall have effect as an Ordinance of the States.

This proposition has been submitted to Her Majesty's Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications in accordance with Rule 4(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation and their Committees.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Ordinance amends the weekly rate of severe disability benefit and carer's allowance and the annual income limits for the same under the Severe Disability Benefit and Carer's Allowance (Guernsey) Law, 1984 with effect from 6th January, 2020. The benefits are increased by 1.9%.

The Severe Disability Benefit and Carer's Allowance

Ordinance, 2019

THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolution of the 5th November, 2019^a, and in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by sections 1(4), 2(3)(b), 3 and 23 of the Severe Disability Benefit 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 £101,200.

Entitlement to carer's allowance.

2. The amount determined for the purposes of section 2(3)(b) of the Law is £101,200.

Rates of allowances.

3. (1) The weekly rate of a severe disability benefit determined for the purposes of section 3 of the Law is £108.43.

(2) The weekly rate of a carer's allowance determined for the purposes of section 3 of the Law is £87.72.

^a Article II of Billet d'État No. XXI of 2019.

^b Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXVIII p. 353; amended by Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXIX, p. 198; Vol. XXXI, p. 278, Vol. XXXIII, p. 238; Vol. XXXIV, p. 458; Vol. XXXIX, p. 107; Order in Council No. X of 2003; Order in Council No. IV of 2014; Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome XXVI, p. 177; Ordinance No. XXXIII of 2003; No. VII of 2009; No. XXX of 2013; No. IX of 2016 and No. XXVII of 2018.

Interpretation.

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

Repeal.

5. The Severe Disability Benefit and Carer's Allowance Ordinance, 2018^c is repealed.

Citation.

6. This Ordinance may be cited as the Severe Disability Benefit and Carer's Allowance Ordinance, 2019.

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 6th January, 2020.

^c Ordinance No. XXXIX of 2018.