



ANALYSIS

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1974, No. 46

An Act to amend the Social Security Act 1964

[31 August 1974]

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Social Security Amendment Act 1974, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Social Security Act 1964 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. Domestic purposes benefits for solo parents—Section 27B (4) of the principal Act (as inserted by section 6 (1) of the Social Security Amendment Act 1973) is hereby amended by omitting the words “a registered”, and substituting the words “and registered a”.

3. Domestic purposes benefits for women alone—Section 27c (3) (a) (ii) of the principal Act (as so inserted) is hereby amended by omitting the word “That”, and substituting the words “That she has had 1 or more children and that”.

4. Special provisions as to maintenance—(1) Section 27f (2) of the principal Act (as so inserted) is hereby amended by omitting the words “from her husband, or her former husband, or the father of her child,”, and substituting the words “from her husband or his wife (as the case may be), or her former husband or his former wife (as the case may be), or the father of her child or the mother of his child (as the case may be),”.

(2) The said section 27f (as so inserted) is hereby further amended by omitting from subsection (3) the words “So long as any benefit is payable to a beneficiary and for so long thereafter as any relevant Court proceedings”, and substituting the words “During the period within which any benefit is payable to a beneficiary, and for so long thereafter as any relevant Court proceedings commenced before or during that period”.

5. Advance payment of family benefit—(1) The principal Act is hereby further amended by repealing section 36, and substituting the following section:

“36. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Part of this Act, the Commission may, in its discretion, pay in a lump sum a family benefit or portion of a family benefit in advance for a period not exceeding 52 weeks in respect of—

“(a) The first child of a marriage, if application for such payment is made within 3 months from the date of the birth of the child; or

“(b) The first child of any woman not qualified under paragraph (a) of this subsection who satisfies the Commission that she intends to have the care and control of the child for the period used to calculate the amount of the lump sum applied for, if application for such payment is made within 3 months from the date of the birth of the child; or

“(c) A child who has commenced his first year of secondary education within the meaning of the Education Act 1964 or his first year of education in an intermediate school, intermediate department, or composite school within the meaning of that Act, if

application for the payment is made within 3 months after the date on which the child commenced such education.

“(2) For the purposes of paragraph (a) and paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this section, the Commission, in determining whether any child is a first child, shall disregard any previous child who died within 31 days of birth or who had been placed under the care and control of some person other than the mother within 31 days of birth.

“(3) A lump sum payment under paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of this section may be made more than once in respect of the same child, but the aggregate of such payments shall not exceed the equivalent of 52 weeks’ family benefit payable in respect of the child.

“(4) If the person to whom a lump sum has been paid under paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this section ceases to have the care and control of the child in respect of whom it was paid before the expiry of the period used to calculate the amount of the lump sum, because some other person has assumed responsibility for the child’s care and control, an amount calculated by multiplying the rate of family benefit by the number of whole weeks remaining in the period from the date of cessation of care to the expiry of the period used to calculate the amount of the lump sum may, in the discretion of the Commission, be deemed to be a benefit paid in excess, and the provisions of section 86 of this Act shall apply accordingly.”

(2) The following enactments are hereby consequentially repealed:

- (a) Section 2 of the Social Security Amendment Act (No. 2) 1970:
- (b) Section 7 of the Social Security Amendment Act 1973.

6. Special provisions in respect of inadequate maintenance—Section 61c (1) of the principal Act (as inserted by section 9 (1) of the Social Security Amendment Act 1973) is hereby amended—

- (a) By inserting in paragraph (b), after the words “maintenance order made”, the words “or registered”:
- (b) By inserting, after the words “in which the agreement”, the words “or order”:
- (c) By omitting the words “vary the agreement or order”, and substituting the words “vary the order or make an order in respect of the agreement in accordance with the said section 85”.

7. New section inserted—(1) The principal Act is hereby further amended by inserting, after section 61c (as inserted by section 9 (1) of the Social Security Amendment Act 1973), the following heading and section:

Benefits on Death

“61D. Benefits on death for dependent widows, widowers, and children—(1) Subject to the provisions of this section, where any person under the age of 65 years, who is ordinarily resident in New Zealand on the date of death, dies leaving dependants not entitled to a lump sum payment under section 124 of the Accident Compensation Act 1972, the Commission shall pay—

“(a) To the deceased person’s widow or widower, whether or not they were married at the date of death, and to any other person whom the Commission, in its discretion, regards as the widow or widower of the deceased person (being a person who, though not legally married to the deceased person, is living or has lived with the deceased person as that person’s wife or husband, whether before or after the commencement of this section, and who would have been totally or partially dependent on the deceased person immediately before that person’s death if that person had not died) if he or she survives the deceased person by at least 48 hours—

“(i) The sum of \$1,000 if he or she would, in the opinion of the Commission, have been totally dependent on the deceased person immediately before that person’s death if that person had not died:

“(ii) Such lesser sum as the Commission thinks proper if he or she would, in the opinion of the Commission, have been partially dependent (but not totally dependent) on the deceased person immediately before that person’s death if that person had not died:

“Provided that, if there are more such persons than one, the total amount payable under this paragraph (a) shall not exceed \$1,000 and in any case where that total amount would (apart from this proviso) exceed \$1,000 the amounts payable to them under this paragraph (a) shall abate proportionately according to the respective amounts thereof so as to reduce the total amount to \$1,000:

“(b) To each child of the deceased person, and to each other person whom the Commission, in its discretion, regards as a child of the deceased person (being a person to whom the deceased person stood in the place of a parent, and who would have been totally or partially dependent on the deceased person immediately before that person’s death if that person had not died) if he or she survives the deceased person by at least 48 hours—

“(i) The sum of \$500 if the child or other person would, in the opinion of the Commission, have been totally dependent on the deceased person immediately before that person’s death, if that person had not died:

“(ii) Such lesser sum as the Commission thinks proper if the child or other person would, in the opinion of the Commission, have been partially dependent (but not totally dependent) on the deceased person immediately before the deceased person’s death if that person had not died:

“Provided that the total amount payable to all such children and persons under this paragraph (b) shall not exceed \$1,500; and in any case where that total amount would (apart from this proviso) exceed \$1,500, the amounts payable to them under this paragraph (b) shall abate proportionately according to the respective amounts thereof so as to reduce the total amount to \$1,500.

“(2) For the purposes of subsection (1) of this section, it shall be presumed, in the absence of proof to the contrary, that—

“(a) Where a husband and wife are living together, the wife is totally dependent on the husband:

“(b) Where a husband and wife are living apart, the wife is dependent on the husband to the extent of any money ordered to be paid under a maintenance order or agreed to be paid under an agreement between the parties:

“Provided that, if the husband is regularly paying to the wife more than the amount ordered or agreed, it shall be presumed, in the absence of proof to the contrary, that the wife is dependent on the husband to the extent of the amount being paid:

“(c) A child under the age of 16 years is totally dependent on each of its parents.

“(3) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, dependency shall be a matter of fact.”

(2) This section shall come into force on the 1st day of April 1975.

8. Limitation of benefits—Section 74 (e) of the principal Act (as inserted by section 12 of the Social Security Amendment Act 1973) is hereby amended by inserting, after the words “obtain any maintenance”, the words “or has forgone her rights to any maintenance”.

9. Increasing rates of benefits in respect of period 13 February 1974 to 2 July 1974—(1) In respect of the period commencing on the 13th day of February 1974 and ending with the 2nd day of July 1974, the principal Act shall have effect as if the First to Fourth, Sixth to Ninth, and Fourteenth Schedules thereto (as substituted by section 18 (1) of the Social Security Amendment Act 1973) and the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Schedules thereto (as added by section 15 of the Social Security Amendment Act 1973) had been amended in the manner indicated in the First Schedule to this Act.

(2) This section and the First Schedule to this Act shall be deemed to have come into force on the 13th day of February 1974.

10. Increasing allowable income and rates of benefits on and after 3 July 1974—(1) The principal Act is hereby further amended by repealing the First to Tenth, Twelfth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Schedules (as substituted by section 18 (1) of the Social Security Amendment Act 1973) and the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Schedules (as added by section 15 of the Social Security Amendment Act 1973), and substituting the First to Tenth, Twelfth, and Fourteenth to Seventeenth Schedules set out in the Second Schedule to this Act.

(2) Sections 15 to 18 of, and the First to Fourth Schedules to, the Social Security Amendment Act 1973 are hereby repealed.

(3) This section and the Second Schedule to this Act shall be deemed to have come into force on the 3rd day of July 1974.

11. Authority to increase rates of benefits—(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the principal Act, the Commission may, in accordance with any general or special instructions given by the Minister, in respect of the period

commencing on the 1st day of December 1973 and ending with the 31st day of December 1973, increase the rate of any benefit under the principal Act by an amount not exceeding the rate of that benefit payable in respect of any 1 week in that period.

(2) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of December 1973.

12. Amending Social Security (Reciprocity with Australia) Act 1948—The Social Security (Reciprocity with Australia) Act 1948 is hereby amended by repealing section 14, and substituting the following section:

“14. No person shall be entitled by virtue of the provisions of this Act to receive a benefit under the principal Act in respect of any period for which he has been paid the analogous pension, allowance, endowment, or benefit under the Social Services Consolidation Act.”

SCHEDULES

Section 9 (1)

FIRST SCHEDULE

AMENDMENTS TO PRINCIPAL ACT INCREASING RATES OF BENEFITS IN
RESPECT OF PERIOD 13 FEBRUARY 1974 TO 2 JULY 1974

Schedule Amended	Amendment
First Schedule	<p>By omitting from clause 1 the expression “\$1,232.40”, and substituting the expression “\$1,274”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 2 the expression “\$1,027”, and substituting the expression “\$1,058.20”.</p>
Second Schedule	<p>By omitting from clause 1 (a) the expression “\$1,232.40”, and substituting the expression “\$1,274”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (b) the expression “\$1,027”, and substituting the expression “\$1,058.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (c) the expression “\$1,027” in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression “\$1,058.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (d) the expression “\$1,027”, and substituting the expression “\$1,058.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (d) the expression “\$1,703”, and substituting the expression “\$1,734.20”.</p>

FIRST SCHEDULE—*continued*AMENDMENTS TO PRINCIPAL ACT INCREASING RATES OF BENEFITS IN RESPECT OF PERIOD 13 FEBRUARY 1974 TO 2 JULY 1974—*continued*

Schedule Amended	Amendment
Second Schedule— <i>continued</i>	<p>By omitting from clause 1 (d) the expression “\$2,327” in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression “\$2,358.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from the proviso to clause 1 (d) the expression “\$1,027”, and substituting the expression “\$1,058.20”.</p>
Third Schedule	<p>By omitting from clause 1 the expression “\$1,232.40”, and substituting the expression “\$1,274”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 2 the expression “\$1,232.40”, and substituting the expression “\$1,274”.</p>
Fourth Schedule	By omitting the expression “\$598”, and substituting the expression “\$639.60”.
Sixth Schedule	<p>By omitting from clause 1 (a) the expression “\$936”, and substituting the expression “\$977.60”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (b) the expression “\$1,232.40”, and substituting the expression “\$1,274”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (c) the expression “\$1,027”, and substituting the expression “\$1,058.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (d) the expression “\$1,027” in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression “\$1,058.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (e) the expression “\$1,027”, and substituting the expression “\$1,058.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (e) the expression “\$1,703”, and substituting the expression “\$1,734.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (e) the expression “\$2,327” in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression “\$2,358.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from the proviso to clause 1 (e) the expression “\$1,027”, and substituting the expression “\$1,058.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 2 the expression “\$2,015”, and substituting the expression “\$2,046.20”.</p> <p>By omitting from clause 2 the expression “\$205.40”, and substituting the expression “\$215.80”.</p>

FIRST SCHEDULE—*continued*AMENDMENTS TO PRINCIPAL ACT INCREASING RATES OF BENEFITS IN
RESPECT OF PERIOD 13 FEBRUARY 1974 TO 2 JULY 1974—*continued*

Schedule Amended	Amendment
Seventh Schedule	<p>By omitting from clause 1 (a) the expression "\$1,027" in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression "\$1,058.20".</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (b) the expression "\$1,232.40", and substituting the expression "\$1,274".</p> <p>By omitting from clause 2 the expression "\$1,149.20", and substituting the expression "\$1,190.80".</p>
Eighth Schedule	<p>By omitting from clause 1 (a) the expression "\$18", and substituting the expression "\$18.80".</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (b) the expression "\$23.70", and substituting the expression "\$24.50".</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (c) the expression "\$19.75" in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression "\$20.35".</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (d) the expression "\$19.75", and substituting the expression "\$20.35".</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (d) the expression "\$32.75", and substituting the expression "\$33.35".</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (d) the expression "\$44.75" in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression "\$45.35".</p> <p>By omitting from the proviso to clause 1 (d) the expression "\$19.75", and substituting the expression "\$20.35".</p> <p>By omitting from clause 2 the expression "\$15.80", and substituting the expression "\$16.20".</p>
Ninth Schedule	<p>By omitting from clause 1 (a) the expression "\$18", and substituting the expression "\$18.80".</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (b) the expression "\$23.70", and substituting the expression "\$24.50".</p> <p>By omitting from clause 1 (c) the expression "\$19.75" in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression "\$20.35".</p>

FIRST SCHEDULE—*continued*AMENDMENTS TO PRINCIPAL ACT INCREASING RATES OF BENEFITS IN
RESPECT OF PERIOD 13 FEBRUARY 1974 TO 2 JULY 1974—*continued*

Schedule Amended	Amendment
Ninth Schedule— <i>continued</i>	By omitting from clause 1 (d) the expression "\$19.75", and substituting the expression "\$20.35".
Fourteenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 2 the expression "\$15.80", and substituting the expression "\$16.20".
Sixteenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 1 (a) (i) the expression "\$665.60", and substituting the expression "\$686.40".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 2 (a) (i) the expression "\$12.80", and substituting the expression "\$13.20".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 1 the expression "\$936", and substituting the expression "\$977.60".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 2 the expression "\$1,232.40", and substituting the expression "\$1,274".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 3 the expression "\$1,232.40", and substituting the expression "\$1,274".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 1 the expression "\$936", and substituting the expression "\$977.60".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 2 the expression "\$1,232.40", and substituting the expression "\$1,274".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 3 the expression "\$1,027", and substituting the expression "\$1,058.20".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 4 the expression "\$1,027", and substituting the expression "\$1,058.20".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 4 the expression "\$1,703", and substituting the expression "\$1,734.20".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from clause 4 the expression "\$2,327" in both places where it occurs, and substituting in each case the expression "\$2,358.20".
Seventeenth Schedule	By omitting from the proviso to clause 4 the expression "\$1,027", and substituting the expression "\$1,058.20".

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*“SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*”

- (d) To any other married beneficiary \$1,162.20 a year, diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary and the spouse of the beneficiary, including the amount of any superannuation benefit under Part I of this Act granted to the spouse of the beneficiary, in excess of \$2,046.20 a year but not in excess of \$2,462.20 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of such income, including superannuation benefit, in excess of \$2,462.20 a year:

Provided that, if the spouse of the beneficiary is not in receipt of a superannuation benefit under Part I of this Act, the rate of the age benefit payable to the beneficiary shall not be less than the aggregate of the rates of age benefits that would be payable if the beneficiary and the spouse of the beneficiary were both entitled to receive an age benefit, but the rate of benefit payable hereunder shall not exceed \$1,162.20 a year:

Provided that, if the beneficiary has the care of a dependent child or children, the rate of benefit specified in this Schedule may, in the discretion of the Commission, be increased by an amount not exceeding the appropriate amount specified in the Fourteenth Schedule to this Act:

Provided also that, in computing for the purposes of this clause the income of any totally blind person, the Commission shall take no account of the personal earnings of that person:

Provided further that, in any case where a beneficiary is totally blind, the rate of the age benefit, together with any benefits and allowances payable to or in respect of the wife or husband of the beneficiary, shall not be less than the aggregate rate of the benefits and allowances that would have been payable to or in respect of the beneficiary and his or her spouse if the beneficiary had been eligible for an invalid's benefit.

2. Additional age benefit for South African war veterans, in every case \$52 a year.

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*

Sections 21, 24

"THIRD SCHEDULE

RATES OF WIDOWS' BENEFITS

1. To a beneficiary without dependent children \$1,396.20 a year, diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$884 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of her total annual income in excess of \$1,300 a year.
2. To a beneficiary with 1 or more dependent children \$1,396.20 a year, increased, in the discretion of the Commission, by an amount not exceeding the appropriate amount specified in the Fourteenth Schedule to this Act, and diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$1,092 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of her total annual income in excess of \$1,300 a year.

Section 29

"FOURTH SCHEDULE

MAXIMUM RATES OF ORPHANS' BENEFITS

- In every case \$702 a year, diminished by \$3 for every complete \$4 of the total annual income of the orphan in excess of \$260 a year.

Section 34

"FIFTH SCHEDULE

RATES OF FAMILY BENEFITS

- In respect of each child \$3 a week.

Sections 42, 43

"SIXTH SCHEDULE

RATES OF INVALIDS' BENEFITS

1. (a) To an unmarried beneficiary under the age of 18 years \$1,066 a year, diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$884 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$1,300 a year.

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*“SIXTH SCHEDULE—*continued*”

- (b) To any other unmarried beneficiary \$1,396.20 a year, diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$884 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$1,300 a year.
- (c) To a married beneficiary whose wife or husband is granted, in her or his own right, a benefit (other than a superannuation benefit) under Part I of this Act, or an economic pension, war veteran's allowance, or war service pension under the War Pensions Act 1954 \$1,162.20 a year, diminished by 50c for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary and his or her spouse in excess of \$884 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$1.50 for every complete \$4 of such income in excess of \$1,300 a year.
- (d) To a married male beneficiary whose wife is not granted, in her own right, a benefit under Part I of this Act, or an economic pension, war veteran's allowance, or war service pension under the War Pensions Act 1954 \$1,162.20 a year, increased by \$1,162.20 a year in respect of his wife, the total rate to be diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary and his wife in excess of \$884 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of such income in excess of \$1,300 a year.
- (e) To any other married beneficiary \$1,162.20 a year, diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary and the spouse of the beneficiary, including the amount of any superannuation benefit under Part I of this Act granted to the spouse of the beneficiary, in excess of \$2,046.20 a year but not in excess of \$2,462.20 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of such income, including superannuation benefit, in excess of \$2,462.20 a year:

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*“SIXTH SCHEDULE—*continued*”

Provided that, if the spouse of the beneficiary is not in receipt of a superannuation benefit under Part I of this Act, the rate of the invalid's benefit payable to the beneficiary shall not be less than the aggregate of the rates of invalid's benefits that would be payable if the beneficiary and the spouse of the beneficiary were both entitled to receive an invalid's benefit, but the rate of benefit payable hereunder shall not exceed \$1,162.20 a year:

Provided that, if the beneficiary has the care of a dependent child or children, the rate of benefit specified in this Schedule may, in the discretion of the Commission, be increased by an amount not exceeding the appropriate amount specified in the Fourteenth Schedule to this Act:

Provided also that, in computing for the purposes of this clause the income of any totally blind person, the Commission shall take no account of the personal earnings of that person:

Provided further that the rates specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this clause shall be reduced by the amount of any family benefit payable under Part I of this Act in respect of the beneficiary.

2. Maximum amount from all sources where subsidy paid on earnings of blind invalid, in every case \$2,358.20 a year, increased by \$234 a year if the beneficiary is an unmarried person.

Sections 49, 53

“SEVENTH SCHEDULE

RATES OF MINERS' BENEFITS AND MINERS' WIDOWS' BENEFIT

1. (a) To a married miner \$1,162.20 a year, increased by \$1,162.20 a year in respect of his wife.
 (b) In any other case \$1,396.20 a year.
 2. To a miner's widow \$1,313 a year.

Section 55

“EIGHTH SCHEDULE

RATES OF SICKNESS BENEFITS

1. (a) To an unmarried beneficiary under the age of 18 years without dependants \$20.50 a week, diminished by 10c for every complete 20c of the total weekly income of the beneficiary in excess of \$17 a week but not in excess of \$25 a week, and by 15c for every complete 20c of the total weekly income of the beneficiary in excess of \$25 a week.

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*"EIGHTH SCHEDULE—*continued*

- (b) To any other unmarried beneficiary \$26.85 a week, diminished by 10c for every complete 20c of the total weekly income of the beneficiary in excess of \$17 a week but not in excess of \$25 a week, and by 15c for every complete 20c of the total weekly income of the beneficiary in excess of \$25 a week.
- (c) To a married male beneficiary \$22.35 a week, increased by \$22.35 a week in respect of his wife, the total rate to be diminished by 10c for every complete 20c of the total weekly income of the beneficiary and his wife in excess of \$17 a week but not in excess of \$25 a week, and by 15c for every complete 20c of such income in excess of \$25 a week.
- (d) To a married female beneficiary \$22.35 a week, diminished by 10c for every complete 20c of the total weekly income of the beneficiary and her husband (including the amount of any benefit under Part I of this Act received by the husband) in excess of \$39.35 a week but not in excess of \$47.35 a week, and by 15c for every complete 20c of such income in excess of \$47.35 a week:

Provided that, if the husband of the beneficiary is not in receipt of a benefit under Part I of this Act, the rate of sickness benefit payable to the beneficiary shall not be less than the rate of sickness benefit that would be payable to a married male beneficiary under paragraph (c) of this clause, but the rate of benefit payable hereunder shall not exceed \$22.35 a week:

Provided that, if the beneficiary has the care of a dependent child or children, the rate of benefit specified in this Schedule may, in the discretion of the Commission, be increased by an amount not exceeding the appropriate amount specified in the Fourteenth Schedule to this Act.

2. Maximum increase in respect of a housekeeper \$17.85 a week.

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*

Section 59 "NINTH SCHEDULE

MAXIMUM RATES OF UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

1. (a) To an unmarried beneficiary under the age of 20 years without dependants \$20.50 a week.
- (b) To any other unmarried beneficiary \$26.85 a week.
- (c) To a married male beneficiary \$22.35 a week, increased by \$22.35 a week in respect of his wife.
- (d) To a married female beneficiary \$22.35 a week:

Provided that, if the beneficiary has the care of a dependent child or children, the rate of benefit specified in this Schedule may, in the discretion of the Commission, be increased by an amount not exceeding the appropriate amount specified in the Fourteenth Schedule to this Act:

Provided also that the rates specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this clause shall be reduced by the amount of any family benefit payable under Part I of this Act in respect of the beneficiary.

2. Maximum increase in respect of a housekeeper \$17.85 a week.

Section 66 "TENTH SCHEDULE

SPECIAL INCOME EXEMPTION IN RESPECT OF SICK BENEFITS FROM FRIENDLY OR LIKE SOCIETY (AGE, INVALIDS', WIDOWS', DOMESTIC PURPOSES, AND SICKNESS BENEFITS ONLY)

Maximum rate \$2 a week in the case of a sickness benefit, and \$104 a year in any other case.

Section 69 "TWELFTH SCHEDULE

MAXIMUM INCREASE IN RATE OF BENEFIT PAYABLE TO PARENT OF DECEASED MEMBER OF FORCES OR MERCANTILE MARINE

Maximum rate .. \$1 a week.

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*

"FOURTEENTH SCHEDULE

Section 61A

ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN

1. To any person receiving an emergency benefit payable otherwise than by weekly instalments, or an age, widow's, domestic purposes, or invalid's benefit—
 - (a) At the rate payable to an unmarried beneficiary—
 - (i) On account of first or only dependent child \$772.20 a year.
 - (ii) On account of second dependent child \$156 a year.
 - (iii) On account of each additional dependent child after the second \$65 a year.
 - (b) At the rate payable to a married beneficiary—
 - (i) On account of first or only dependent child \$156 a year.
 - (ii) On account of each additional dependent child after the first \$65 a year.
2. To any person receiving an emergency benefit payable by weekly instalments, or a sickness or unemployment benefit—
 - (a) At the rate payable to an unmarried beneficiary—
 - (i) On account of first or only dependent child \$14.85 a week.
 - (ii) On account of second dependent child \$3 a week.
 - (iii) On account of each additional dependent child after the second \$1.25 a week.

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*“FOURTEENTH SCHEDULE—*continued*”

- (b) At the rate payable to a married beneficiary—
- (i) On account of first or only dependent child \$3 a week.
 - (ii) On account of each additional dependent child after the first \$1.25 a week.

Section 124 (4) “FIFTEENTH SCHEDULE

MAXIMUM RATES OF REHABILITATION ALLOWANCES

- 1. To any unmarried disabled person under the age of 20 years, without dependants \$6 a week.
- 2. To any other disabled person \$8 a week.

Sections 27B, 27C, and 27H “SIXTEENTH SCHEDULE

RATES OF DOMESTIC PURPOSES BENEFITS

- 1. To a beneficiary under the age of 18 years without dependent children \$1,066 a year, diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$884 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$1,300 a year.
- 2. To any other beneficiary without dependent children \$1,396.20 a year, diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$884 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$1,300 a year.
- 3. To a beneficiary with 1 or more dependent children \$1,396.20 a year, increased, in the discretion of the Commission, by an amount not exceeding the appropriate amount specified in the Fourteenth Schedule to this Act, and diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*“SIXTEENTH SCHEDULE—*continued*”

of the beneficiary in excess of \$1,092 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$1,300 a year.

 “SEVENTEENTH SCHEDULE

Sections 27G and 27H

RATES OF DOMESTIC PURPOSES BENEFITS

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| 1. To an unmarried beneficiary under the age of 18 years | \$1,066 a year, diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$884 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$1,300 a year. |
| 2. To any other unmarried beneficiary | \$1,396.20 a year, diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$884 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$3 for every complete \$4 of the total annual income of the beneficiary in excess of \$1,300 a year. |
| 3. To a married beneficiary whose wife or husband is granted, in her or his own right, a benefit (other than a superannuation benefit) under Part I of this Act, or an economic pension, war veteran's allowance, or war service pension under the War Pensions Act 1954 | \$1,162.20 a year, diminished by 50c for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary and his or her spouse in excess of \$884 a year but not in excess of \$1,300 a year, and by \$1.50 for every complete \$4 of such income in excess of \$1,300 a year. |
| 4. To any other married beneficiary | \$1,162.20 a year, diminished by \$1 for every complete \$2 of the total annual income of the beneficiary and the spouse of the beneficiary, including the amount of any superannuation benefit under Part I of this Act granted to the spouse of the beneficiary, in excess of \$2,046.20 a year but not in excess of \$2,462.20 a year, and by \$3 for every complete |

SECOND SCHEDULE—*continued*“SEVENTEENTH SCHEDULE—*continued*

\$4 of such income, including superannuation benefit, in excess of \$2,462.20 a year:

Provided that, if the spouse of the beneficiary is not in receipt of a benefit under Part I of this Act, the rate of the domestic purposes benefit payable to the beneficiary shall not be less than the aggregate of the rates of domestic purposes benefits that would be payable if the beneficiary and the spouse of the beneficiary were both entitled to receive a domestic purposes benefit, but the rate of benefit payable hereunder shall not exceed \$1,162.20 a year.”

This Act is administered in the Department of Social Welfare.
