Dear Sir or Madam

The Teachers’ Superannuation (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2008

I am writing to consult you on proposals to further amend the Teachers’ Superannuation (Scotland) Regulations 2005, the Teachers’ Superannuation (Additional Voluntary Contributions) (Scotland) Regulations 1995 and the Teachers (Compensation for Premature Retirement and Redundancy) (Scotland) Regulations 1996.

The main changes are:

- Removal of the earnings cap and apportionment of service
- Provision for NPA 60 members who have attained age 60 to purchase additional pension
- Discretionary severance compensation to be increased to 104 weeks.

The proposed changes are set out in Annex A and full details are provided in the draft regulations and explanatory note - Annex B. Any comments should be made in writing to me at the above address by Wednesday, 2 April 2008.

The Regulations will come into force on 1 July 2008 with some changes having retrospective effect.

In accordance with our normal practice, the Agency may make available on request responses to this consultation exercise other than those in which consultees indicate that they wish their responses to be treated as confidential.
A copy of this letter and the attached annexes has been placed on our website www.sppa.gov.uk on the STSS consultations page.

Yours faithfully

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