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## National Insurance and Social Security Act Cap. 47

## NATIONAL INSURANCE AND SOCIAL SECURITY (BENEFIT) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2010

The Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 50 of the *National Insurance and Social Security Act*, makes the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *National Insurance* and Social Security (Benefit) (Amendment) Regulations, 2010.

**2.** The National Insurance and Social Security (Benefit) S.I. 1967 Regulations, 1967 are amended by inserting the following heading and <sup>No. 45.</sup> regulations immediately after regulation 54:

## "RETRAINING ACCOUNT

Retraining Account.

**54A.** (1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), the Chief Labour Officer may select an unemployed person to attend a retraining course, where

- (a) that person has contributed to the Unemployment Benefit Account;
- (b) in the opinion of the Chief Labour Officer, that person has not been temporarily laid off; and
- (c) the Chief Labour Officer is of the view that the course will assist that person in becoming re-employed.

(2) Where a person referred to in paragraph (1) satisfies the contribution requirements under regulation 48(1), that person may be selected to attend a retraining course under paragraph (1) not later than one year after the end of the period for which unemployment benefit is payable to that person under regulation 49.

- (3) A person referred to in paragraph (1),
- (a) who has contributed to the Unemployment Benefit Account; and
- (b) who has not satisfied the contribution requirements under regulation 48(1) to entitle that person to receive unemployment benefit,

may be selected to attend a retraining course under paragraph (1) not later than one year after the end of the period for which unemployment benefit would have been payable under regulation 49 to that person if the contribution requirements had been satisfied.

(4) A person who attends a retraining course under this regulation

- (a) shall comply with any conditions set by the Chief Labour Officer; and
- (b) shall not be required to report to an employment exchange as specified under regulation 45(3).

(5) The cost of a retraining course referred to in paragraph (1) shall be funded out of the Retraining Account and the duration of the course shall not exceed one year. (6) Where a person referred to in paragraph (1) fails without good cause

- (a) to attend a retraining course; or
- (b) to comply with any conditions set by the Chief Labour Officer,

that person shall be disqualified from receiving unemployment benefit.

Payment 54B. (1) Subject to paragraph (2), a person who is of stipend. attending a retraining course pursuant to regulation 54A may be paid a stipend at such rate as is determined by the Board for each day that that person attends the course.

(2) A person shall not be paid a stipend for any period during which unemployment benefit is payable to that person under these Regulations.".

Made by the Minister this 16th day of June, 2010.

FREUNDEL J. STUART Minister responsible for National Insurance.