# SOCIAL SECURITY (AMENDMENT) ACT

# NO. 13 OF 2014

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#### **I ASSENT**

(Sgd.) Adrian Davis **Governor** 

DATE: 18.8.14

## MONTSERRAT

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (CAP. 18.09).

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Montserrat, and by the Authority of the same as follows—

# 1 Short title and commencement

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Social Security (Amendment) Act, 2014.
- (2) This Act comes into operation by Order, on a date appointed by the Governor acting on the advice of Cabinet.

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# 2 Interpretation

In this Act "**principal Act**" means the Social Security Act, (Cap.18.09).

#### 3 Section 2 amended

Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by inserting the following definition in the correct alphabetical sequence:

"public officer" has the same meaning assigned to it under section 107(1) of the Montserrat Constitution Order 2010;".

#### 4 Section 31A inserted

The principal Act is amended by inserting the following as section 31A:

# "31A. Manner of paying sickness benefit to public officer

If a public officer claims a sickness benefit—

- (a) any sickness benefit payable to the public officer shall be paid to the Accountant General; and
- (b) the Accountant General shall cause the payment of sickness benefit to be made to the public officer."

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#### 5 Section 34 amended

Section 34 of the principal Act is deleted and the following is substituted:

#### **"34.** Benefit to be inalienable

Except as otherwise provided for in this Act —

- (a) an assignment of or charge on a benefit and an agreement to assign or charge a benefit is void; and
- (b) on the bankruptcy of a beneficiary a benefit shall not pass to a trustee or other person acting on behalf of a creditor of the beneficiary.".

#### 6. Schedule 1 amended

Schedule 1 of the principal Act is amended by deleting item 5 and substituting the following:

"5. The representative members of the Board shall hold office for a period not exceeding two years as may be determined by the Minister. A member of the Board shall be eligible for re-appointment, but no person may serve as a member of the Board for more than three consecutive terms or an aggregate of six successive years."

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(Sgd.) Teresina Bodkin **SPEAKER** 

Passed by the Legislative Assembly this 22nd day of July, 2014.

(Sgd.) Judith Baker **CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**