

# State Pension Age (Compensation) Bill

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Require the Secretary of State to publish proposals for a compensation scheme for women born between 6 April 1950 and 5 April 1960 inclusive who have been affected by increases in the state pension age; and for connected purposes.

**B**E IT ENACTED by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

**1 Requirement to publish proposals for a compensation scheme**

- (1) Within three months of the passing of this Act, the Secretary of State must lay before Parliament proposals for a compensation scheme for women who have been affected by the increase in state pension age as provided for in the State Pension Act 1995 and the Pensions Act 2011. 5
- (2) A paper laid under subsection (1) must include proposals relating to—
- (a) eligibility for the compensation scheme,
  - (b) the amounts of compensation to be paid under the scheme,
  - (c) the administration of the compensation scheme, and
  - (d) the timeframe for compensation to be paid under the scheme. 10
- (3) In making proposals for compensation under subsection (2)(b), the Secretary of State must have regard to the severity of injustice scale published by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman (PHSO), and must in particular make proposals for compensation in line with that scale, as provided for in the following table— 15

Dates of birth	Range of changes to state pension age	PHSO compensation scale
6 April 1950 to 5 April 1951	Between 1 day and 1 year	Levels 1 and 2
6 April 1951 to 5 October 1952	Between 1 year, 1 day and 2 years	Level 3
6 October 1952 to 5 April 1953	Between 2 years, 1 day and 3 years	Level 4

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Dates of birth	Range of changes to state pension age	PHSO compensation scale
6 April 1953 to 5 December 1953	Between 3 years, 2 months, 1 day and 5 years	Level 5
6 December 1953 to 5 April 1960	Between 5 years, 2 months, 1 day and 6 years	Level 6

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## **2 Extent, commencement and short title**

- (1) This Act extends to England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.
- (2) This Act comes into force on the day on which it is passed.
- (3) This Act may be cited as the State Pension Age (Compensation) Act 2024.

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