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I, DARRAGH O’BRIEN, Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage in exercise of powers conferred on me by sections 4 and 43 of the Housing (Miscellaneous) Provisions Act 2014 (No. 21 of 2014) (as adapted by the Housing, Planning and Local Government (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2020 (S.I. No. 408 of 2020)) and with the consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, hereby make the following regulations:

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Housing Assistance Payment (Amendment) Regulations 2022.

Commencement

2. These Regulations come into operation on 11 July 2022.

Maximum rent limits

3. Regulation 10 of the Housing Assistance Payment Regulations 2014 (S.I. No. 407 of 2014) is amended—

   (a) in paragraph (3) (inserted by the Housing Assistance Payment (Amendment)(No. 4) Regulations 2015 (S.I. No. 474 of 2015)) by substituting the following for subparagraph (a):

   “(a) The monthly amount set out for the appropriate household class in the Table to this Regulation may be increased by a sum that does not exceed 35 per cent of the amount concerned, where this is necessary to source a suitable dwelling for a qualified household in the administrative area of a housing authority referred to in subparagraph (b).”.

Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in “Iris Oifigiúil” of 8th July, 2022.
The Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform consents to the making of the foregoing Regulations.

GIVEN under the Official Seal of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform,

MICHAEL MCGRATH,
Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.

GIVEN under my Official Seal,

DARRAGH O’BRIEN,
Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation)

These Regulations amend the Housing Assistance Payment Regulations 2014 (S.I. No. 407 of 2014) as last amended by the Housing Assistance Payment (Amendment) Regulations 2017 (S.I. No. 56 of 2017). The Regulations provide that the maximum rent limits set out in the Table under Regulation 10 may be exceeded by not more than 35 per cent in all local authority administrative areas, where this is necessary to source suitable accommodation for a household that is qualified for social housing support.