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Dear Colleague

Government Response following the Consultation on the Teachers' Pension Scheme (Transitional and Consequential) Provisions Regulations 2014

I wrote to you on 6 November to invite comments on a further set of amending regulations in respect of the reformed Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS). These cover a number of technical changes to over-riding pension legislation that are needed to ensure that it and the reformed Teachers' Pension Scheme operate effectively and appropriately together. The amendments are being co-ordinated by HM Treasury, with the other public service schemes taking forward similar amending regulations at the same time.

We received two responses to this letter, both of which were broadly supportive of the proposed legislation, however, in addition one highlighted the need to ensure that all changes are communicated effectively, whilst the other queried whether the regulations should treat final salary arrangements as two schemes.

We have taken account of these comments and have concluded that no changes are required to the proposed regulations as a result. We can assure you that robust communication plans are in place and the treatment of the final salary arrangements is in line with legal advice.

Yours sincerely

Jeff Rogerson