

Green Paper Consultation Responses

Pension adjustment orders

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Currently, pension adjustments to a husband's pension in the case of a separation only hold if the order was made in court.

If a legal separation was agreed outside the court and no pension arrangement agreed for the spouse it cannot be challenged.

I suggest that there has to be a pension arrangement made in agreements outside the court also - because often it is the women who are left in the vulnerable position of not having a pension after taking time out or jobsharing because of child rearing commitments.

Often agreements are made under stress and duress outside a court. I think women should be protected by law to have fair pension arrangements included in any separation agreement.