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Senator Brown asked:

Under the planned arrangements, if the CPI is negative in a given 6 month period, will the pension reduce? If not, what would happen?

Answer:

If the CPI is negative in a given 6 month period, the rate of pension is not reduced – the current rate is maintained (Social Security Act 1991, Section 1193).