



# Abolition of the Right to Buy and Associated Rights (Wales) Act 2018

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*Restriction on exercising the right to buy and the right to acquire*

## 5 Exception to the restriction on exercising the right to acquire

- (1) The [Housing Act 1996 \(c. 52\)](#) is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 16B (restriction on exercising the right to acquire), insert—

### “16C Exception to restriction on exercising the right to acquire

- (1) This section applies in respect of a dwelling (the “exempted dwelling”) if—
  - (a) after the relevant date, the court has ordered a person to give up possession of a dwelling,
  - (b) the order is made—
    - (i) on any of the grounds set out in Parts 2 or 3 of Schedule 2 to the [Housing Act 1985 \(c. 68\)](#) (discretionary grounds for possession of dwelling let under secure tenancy), or
    - (ii) on Ground 9 in Schedule 2 to the [Housing Act 1988 \(c. 50\)](#) (possession of dwelling let under assured tenancy on grounds that there is suitable alternative accommodation),
  - (c) the person becomes the tenant of the exempted dwelling, and
  - (d) the exempted dwelling is suitable alternative accommodation for the purposes of the order.
- (2) The Welsh Ministers may, by regulations made by statutory instrument, amend this section by making provision for further circumstances in which this section applies in respect of a dwelling.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (2) may not be made unless a draft of the statutory instrument containing the regulations has been laid before and approved by a resolution of the National Assembly for Wales.”