



Finance Act 1973

1973 CHAPTER 51

PART VI

56 Charges for services, etc., by Government departments.

- (1) Where a Government department, in pursuance of ^{F1}... any international agreement or arrangement, provides any services or facilities or issues any authorisation, certificate or other document, it may, in connection therewith, require the payment of such fees or other charges as may be prescribed by, or determined under, regulations made by the Minister in charge of the department with the consent of the Treasury.
- (2) Regulations under this section may provide for the recovery and disposal of any sums payable under the regulations and make different provision for different circumstances.
- (3) The powers conferred by this section are without prejudice to any powers exercisable apart from this section to require the payment of fees or other charges.
- (4) Regulations under this section shall be made by statutory instrument, which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (5) In this section “Government department” includes a department of the Government of Northern Ireland, and any regulations which the Minister in charge of such a department is empowered to make under this section may be made either by him or by the department, and with the consent of the [^{F2}Department of Finance] for Northern Ireland instead of the Treasury; and in relation to regulations so made subsection (4) of this section shall not apply but they shall be subject to negative resolution, within the meaning of section 41(6) of the ^{M1}Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954, as if they were a statutory instrument within the meaning of that Act.

^{F3}(6)

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Finance Act 1973, Section 56. (See end of Document for details)

Textual Amendments

- F1** Word in s. 56(1) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [European Union \(Withdrawal\) Act 2018 \(c. 16\)](#), s. 25(4), [Sch. 8 para. 17](#) (with s. 19, [Sch. 8 para. 37](#)); S.I. 2020/1622, reg. 3(n) (with reg. 22)
- F2** Words substituted by virtue of [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 8\(1\)](#)
- F3** S. 56(6) repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1977 \(c. 18\)](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. XIII](#)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Reference to Minister in charge of Department of Government of Northern Ireland to be construed as reference to head of department: [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 7\(2\)](#)
- C2** S. 56 extended (1.12.1998) by [1998 c. 38, s. 29\(4\)](#) (with ss. 139(2), 143(2)); S.I. 1998/2789, [art. 2](#)
- C3** S. 56 extended by [Government of Wales Act 2006 \(c. 32\)](#), s. 59(5) (with [Sch. 11 para. 22](#)), the amending provision coming into force immediately after "the 2007 election" (held on 3.5.2007) subject to s. 161(1)(4)(5) of the amending Act, which provides for certain provisions to come into force for specified purposes immediately after the end of "the initial period" (which ended with the day of the first appointment of a First Minister on 25.5.2007) - see ss. 46, 161(4)(5) of the amending Act.
- C4** S. 56(4) restricted (1.12.1998) by [1998 c. 38, s. 29\(5\)](#) (with ss. 139(2), 143(2)); S.I. 1998/2789, [art. 2](#)
- C5** S. 56(4) restricted by [Government of Wales Act 2006 \(c. 32\)](#), s. 59(7) (with [Sch. 11 para. 22](#)), the amending provision coming into force immediately after "the 2007 election" (held on 3.5.2007) subject to s. 161(1)(4)(5) of the amending Act, which provides for certain provisions to come into force for specified purposes immediately after the end of "the initial period" (which ended with the day of the first appointment of a First Minister on 25.5.2007) - see ss. 46, 161(4)(5) of the amending Act.

Marginal Citations

- M1** [1954 c. 33 \(N.I.\)](#)

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