



Foster Children Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 6

Miscellaneous and supplementary

19 Avoidance of insurances on lives of foster children

A person who maintains a foster child for reward shall be deemed for the purposes of the Life Assurance Act 1774 to have no interest in the life of the child.

20 Service of notices by post

Any notice or information required to be given under this Act may be given by post.

21 Regulations

Any power to make regulations conferred on the Secretary of State by this Act shall be exercisable by statutory instrument, which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

22 Interpretation

In this Act—

" child " means a person under the age of 18 ;

" compulsory school age " has the same meaning as in the Education Act 1944;

" local authority " means the council of a non-metropolitan county, metropolitan district or London borough, or the Common Council of the City of London ;

" local authority in Scotland " means a regional or islands council;

" place of safety " means a community home provided by a local authority, a controlled community home, a police station, or any hospital, surgery or other suitable place whose occupier is willing temporarily to receive a child;

" relative ", in relation to a child, means a grandparent, brother, sister, uncle or aunt (whether of the full blood or half-blood or by affinity) and includes,

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where the child is illegitimate, the father of the child and any person who would be a relative within the meaning of this definition if the child were the legitimate child of his mother and father ;

" voluntary organisation " means a body the activities of which are carried on otherwise than for profit.

23 Transitional provisions, consequential amendments and repeals

- (1) This Act shall have effect subject to the transitional provisions set out in Schedule 1 to this Act.
- (2) The enactments mentioned in Schedule 2 to this Act shall have effect subject to the amendments specified in that Schedule, being amendments consequential on the provisions of this Act.
- (3) The enactments specified in Schedule 3 to this Act are hereby repealed to the extent specified in the third column of that Schedule.
- (4) The inclusion in this Act of any express saving or amendment shall not be taken as prejudicing the operation of section 16 or 17 of the Interpretation Act 1978 (which relate to the effect of repeals).

24 Citation, etc.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Foster Children Act 1980.
- (2) This Act shall come into force on the date appointed under section 90(1) of the Child Care Act 1980 for the coming into force of that Act.
- (3) This Act (except Part II of Schedule 2 which extends only to Scotland) extends to England and Wales only.