



Broadcasting Act 1981

1981 CHAPTER 68

PART I

THE INDEPENDENT BROADCASTING AUTHORITY

Payments by Authority

39 Payments by Authority to Welsh Authority.

- (1) For each financial year the Authority shall pay to the Welsh Fourth Channel Authority such sum or sums as may be agreed between them to be appropriate for enabling the Welsh Authority to meet their reasonable outgoings or, in default of such agreement, such sum or sums as the Secretary of State may determine to be appropriate for that purpose.
- (2) All sums paid by the Authority to the Welsh Authority in pursuance of subsection (1) shall be treated for the purposes of section 36(2) as sums properly chargeable to revenue account in respect of the branch of their undertaking which consists of the provision of television broadcasting services.
- (3) In deciding from time to time whether to make any, and if so what, use of his power under subsection (8) of section 32 to amend by order subsections (4) and (5) of that section the Secretary of State may have regard to any increase in the aggregate amount of the payments to be made by programme contractors under the head described in subsection (1)(a) of that section which is attributable to the provisions of this section and Part II.

40 Contributions towards cost of Broadcasting Complaints Commission.

- (1) For the financial year in which the Broadcasting Complaints Commission is established and each subsequent financial year the Secretary of State shall notify to the Authority the total sum which he considers to be the appropriate contribution of the programme contractors towards the expenses of the Commission.

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- (2) The contracts between the Authority and the various programme contractors shall contain such provisions as the Authority consider necessary for securing that the programme contractors make to the Authority in respect of every financial year payments (additional to those required by section 32) representing what appear to the Authority to be the appropriate contributions of the respective programme contractors towards meeting the sum notified to the Authority for that year under subsection (1).
- (3) The payments made to the Authority by virtue of subsection (2) shall not form part of the revenue of the Authority and, when received by the Authority, shall be paid to the Secretary of State.
- (4) All sums received by the Secretary of State under subsection (3) shall be paid into the Consolidated Fund.
- (5) Any payment made by a programme contractor to the Authority by virtue of subsection (2) in any accounting period shall be treated as relevant expenditure for the purposes of Schedule 4.

41 Grants by Authority to local sound programme contractors.

- (1) If, in the case of any local sound programme contractor, the Authority consider it necessary or expedient to do so for the purpose of enabling the Authority to discharge more fully the duties mentioned in subsection (2), they may make to that contractor a grant of such amount as they think fit.
- (2) Those duties are the duties of the Authority under subsections (1) and (2) of section 2 in relation to local sound broadcasting services, and in particular their duties under subsection (2)(b) and (c) of that section to ensure that the programmes broadcast in each area maintain a high general standard in respect of their content and quality, and to secure a wide hearing for programmes of merit.
- (3) A grant made to a local sound programme contractor under this section may be made on such conditions as the Authority think appropriate for securing that it is used only for specified purposes, being purposes which in the opinion of the Authority will be conducive to the achievement of the purpose mentioned in subsection (1).
- (4) Any number of grants may be made to the same local sound programme contractor under this section.
- (5) In this section “local sound programme contractor” means a person who is a programme contractor by virtue of a contract for the provision of local sound broadcasts.

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