

# **Broadcasting Act 1981**

## **1981 CHAPTER 68**

#### PART I

THE INDEPENDENT BROADCASTING AUTHORITY

Powers of Government in relation to Authority

### 31 Co-operation of Authority with BBC in the use of broadcasting installations.

- (1) The Secretary of State may at any time by notice in writing—
  - (a) require the Authority to radiate such of their broadcast transmissions as may be specified in the notice from a mast, tower or other installation belonging to the BBC; or
  - (b) require the Authority to permit such of the BBC's broadcast transmissions as may be so specified to be radiated from a mast, tower or other installation belonging to the Authority; or
  - (c) require the Authority to co-operate with the BBC in providing and using an installation and to radiate such of the Authority's broadcast transmissions as may be so specified from that installation;

and it shall be the duty of the Authority to comply with any such notice.

- (2) Before giving a notice under this section to the Authority the Secretary of State shall consult the Authority and the BBC.
- (3) If, after a notice is given under this section to the Authority, a dispute between the Authority and the BBC arising out of the matters to which the notice relates is referred to the Secretary of State by either body, or it appears to the Secretary of State that there is such a dispute, he may give such directions to the Authority as he may think expedient for determining the dispute; and it shall be the duty of the Authority to comply with any such directions.

# **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Broadcasting Act 1981, Section 31.