



# National Audit Act 1983

## 1983 CHAPTER 44

### PART II

#### ECONOMY, EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS EXAMINATIONS

#### **7 Other bodies mainly supported by public funds.**

- (1) If the Comptroller and Auditor General has reasonable cause to believe that any authority or body to which this section applies has in any of its financial years received more than half its income from public funds he may carry out an examination into the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which it has in that year used its resources in discharging its functions.
- (2) Subsection (1) above shall not be construed as entitling the Comptroller and Auditor General to question the merits of the policy objectives of any authority or body in respect of which an examination is carried out.
- (3) In determining for the purposes of subsection (1) above whether the income of an authority or body is such as to bring it within that subsection the Comptroller and Auditor General shall consult that authority or body and the Treasury.
- (4) This section applies to any authority or body appointed, or whose members are required to be appointed, by or on behalf of the Crown except a body specified in Schedule 4 to this Act.
- (5) For the purposes of this section money is received from public funds if it is paid—
  - (a) by a Minister of the Crown out of moneys provided by Parliament or out of the National Loans Fund; or
  - (b) by an authority or body which itself falls within subsection (1) above, including an authority or body falling within that subsection by virtue of this paragraph;

but, in either case, there shall be disregarded any money paid as consideration for the acquisition of property or the supply of goods or services or as remuneration, expenses, pensions, allowances or similar benefits for or in respect of a person as the holder of an office.

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- (6) In this section “income” includes capital receipts and “authority” and “Minister of the Crown” have the same meaning as in section 6 above.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1** S. 7 excluded (E.W.) by [London Regional Transport Act 1984 \(c. 32, SIF 126\)](#), **s. 24**
- C2** S. 7 excluded (1.4.2000) by [1998 c. 46, s. 125, Sch. 8 para. 20](#); S.I. 1998/3178, art. 2(2), **Sch. 5**  
S. 7 restricted (1.2.1999) by [1998 c. 38, s. 111, Sch. 9 Pt. I paras. 12, 13](#) (with ss. 139(2), 143(2)); S.I. 1999/118, **art. 2**  
S. 7 restricted (1.7.1999) by [1993 c. 46, Sch. 1A para. 14\(2\)](#) (as inserted (1.7.1999) by [1998 c. 38, s. 112, Sch. 10 para. 17](#) (with ss. 139(2), 143(2)); S.I. 1999/1290, **art. 4**
- C3** S. 7 modified by [1996 c. 52, Sch. 2A para. 16\(5\)](#) (as inserted (14.7.2005) by [Housing Act 2004 \(c. 34\), s. 270\(7\), Sch. 12](#); S.I. 2005/1814, arts. 1(2), 2(e))
- C4** S. 7 applied by [1996 c. 52, Sch. 2A para. 16\(5\)](#) (as inserted (14.7.2005) by [Housing Act 2004 \(c. 34\), s. 270\(7\), Sch. 12](#); S.I. 2005/1814, arts. 1(2), 2(e))
- C5** S. 7 excluded (1.4.2018) by [Wales Act 2017 \(c. 4\), ss. 13\(5\), 71\(4\)](#) (with Sch. 7 paras. 1, 6, 9); S.I. 2017/1179, reg. 3(d)

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