



Local Government Act 1986

1986 CHAPTER 10

PART II

LOCAL AUTHORITY PUBLICITY

[^{F1}2A Prohibition on promoting homosexuality by teaching or by publishing material.

- (1) A local authority shall not—
 - (a) intentionally promote homosexuality or publish material with the intention of promoting homosexuality;
 - (b) promote the teaching in any maintained school of the acceptability of homosexuality as a pretended family relationship.
- (2) Nothing in subsection (1) above shall be taken to prohibit the doing of anything for the purpose of treating or preventing the spread of disease [^{F2}; or
 - ^{F2}(b) prevent the headteacher or governing body of a maintained school, or a teacher employed by a maintained school, from taking steps to prevent any form of bullying]]
- (3) In any proceedings in connection with the application of this section a court shall draw such inferences as to the intention of the local authority as may reasonably be drawn from the evidence before it.
- (4) In subsection (1)(b) above “maintained school” means,—
 - (a) in England and Wales, [^{F3}a maintained school or maintained nursery school, within the meaning of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998]
 - (b) in Scotland, a public school, nursery school or special school, within the meaning of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980.

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 2A inserted by [Local Government Act 1988 \(c. 9, SIF 81:1, 2\)](#), s. 28(1)

F2 S. 2A(2)(b) and word “or” immediately preceding it inserted at the end of subsection (2) (E.W.) (28.9.2000) by [2000 c. 22, ss. 104, 108\(2\)](#)

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F3 Words in s. 2A(4)(a) substituted (1.9.1999) by virtue of 1998 c. 31, s. 140(1), **Sch. 30 para. 13** (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/2323, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 S. 2A(1)(b) applied (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 19, 583(2), **Sch. 1 para. 5** (with s. 1(4))

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