



Housing Act 1988

1988 CHAPTER 50

PART I **E+W**

RENTED ACCOMMODATION

CHAPTER II **E+W**

ASSURED SHORTHOLD TENANCIES

[^{F1}21C Repayment of rent where tenancy ends before end of a period **E+W**

- (1) A tenant under an assured shorthold tenancy of a dwelling-house in England is entitled to a repayment of rent from the landlord where—
 - (a) as a result of the service of a notice under section 21 the tenancy is brought to an end before the end of a period of the tenancy,
 - (b) the tenant has paid rent in advance for that period, and
 - (c) the tenant was not in occupation of the dwelling-house for one or more whole days of that period.
- (2) The amount of repayment to which a tenant is entitled under subsection (1) is to be calculated in accordance with the following formula—

$$R \times \frac{D}{P}$$

where—

R is the rent paid for the final period;

D is the number of whole days of the final period for which the tenant was not in occupation of the dwelling-house; and

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P is the number of whole days in that period.

- (3) If the repayment of rent described in subsections (1) and (2) has not been made when the court makes an order for possession under section 21, the court must order the landlord to repay the amount of rent to which the tenant is entitled.
- (4) Nothing in this section affects any other right of the tenant to a repayment of rent from the landlord.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 21C inserted (1.10.2015) by [Deregulation Act 2015 \(c. 20\)](#), **ss. 40**, 115(7) (with s. 41); S.I. 2015/994, art. 11(m)

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- Act savings and transitional provisions for amendments by S.I. 2022/1166 by [S.I. 2022/1172 Regulations](#)