

Probation Service Act 1993

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Grants by the Secretary of State

20 Grants by the Secretary of State: general

- (1) The Secretary of State may pay such sums as he may, with the approval of the Treasury, determine, for any purpose mentioned in subsection (2).
- (2) Payments under this section may be made—
 - (a) towards the expenditure of local authorities, and the expenditure out of the metropolitan police fund, under this Act;
 - (b) towards the expenditure of probation committees in providing and carrying on bail hostels and probation hostels under section 7;
 - (c) towards the expenditure of any society or person in enlarging, improving or carrying on any premises which are or will be a bail hostel or an approved probation hostel;
 - (d) towards the expenditure of any society or individual engaged in supervising or assisting—
 - (i) persons convicted of offences with a view to their rehabilitation; or
 - (ii) persons on bail;
 - (e) towards the expenditure of any body approved by the Secretary of State in the training of probation officers (or of persons for appointment as probation officers);
 - (f) towards the expenditure of any body approved by the Secretary of State in the training of persons serving in approved bail hostels, in approved probation hostels or in any other place in which offenders or persons awaiting trial may be detained (or in the training of persons for appointment to serve in any such hostel or place);
 - (g) towards the expenditure of any body or person approved by the Secretary of State in the conduct of research into the causes of delinquency and the treatment of offenders, and matters connected therewith.
- (3) Payments under this section may be made subject to such conditions as the Secretary of State may, with the approval of the Treasury, determine.

(4) This section has effect subject to section 21 (limits on payments) and section 22 (supplementary provisions).

21 Limits on payments under section 20

- (1) The amount of any payments under section 20 towards any person's expenditure, or towards any expenditure out of the metropolitan police fund, in any year shall not exceed the appropriate percentage of—
 - (a) that expenditure, or
 - (b) the amount which, in relation to that expenditure and that year, is for the time being determined by the Secretary of State,

whichever is the less.

(2) In subsection (1) "the appropriate percentage", in relation to expenditure of any description, means the percentage which, in relation to expenditure of that description, is for the time being determined by the Secretary of State.

22 Grants under section 20: supplementary

- (1) The conditions subject to which any sums are paid to a probation committee under section 20(2)(b) may include conditions for securing the repayment in whole or part of the sums received by the committee if the hostel in question ceases to be used as such.
- (2) The conditions subject to which any sums are paid to any society or person under section 20(2)(c) may include conditions for securing the repayment in whole or part of the sums received by the society or person—
 - (a) where the sums are paid in respect of a bail hostel, if it ceases to be used as such;
 - (b) where the sums are paid in respect of an approved probation hostel, if it ceases to be approved;

and the managers and any persons who are trustees of any property of the hostel may, notwithstanding anything in the constitution of the hostel or of the managers thereof or in the trusts (if any) to which any such property is subject, accept such sums on those conditions and exercise all powers necessary to fulfil them.

- (3) The Secretary of State may, with the consent of the Treasury, make regulations providing for the deduction from any sums which would otherwise be paid to local authorities under section 20 of this Act or under the Children and Young Persons Act 1933, of such amounts as may be prescribed by the regulations in respect of expenditure incurred by the Secretary of State—
 - (a) in the training of probation officers or persons serving in approved bail hostels or approved probation hostels (or the training of persons for appointment as probation officers or to serve in such hostels);
 - (b) in making any payments under section 20(2)(c) or (e);
 - (c) in making payments under section 20(2)(f) in respect of expenditure incurred in the training of persons serving in approved bail hostels or approved probation hostels (or the training of persons for appointment to serve in such hostels);

but the sums to be deducted in respect of any such expenditure shall not exceed half that expenditure.