



Energy Conservation Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 38

1 Amendment of Home Energy Conservation Act 1995.

- (1) The ^{M1}Home Energy Conservation Act 1995 shall be amended in accordance with the provisions of subsection (2) below.
- (2) In section 1(1) the following paragraphs shall be added to the definition of the term “residential accommodation”, namely—
- “(aa) a house in multiple occupation, that is—
 - (i) in England and Wales, a house in multiple occupation as defined by section 345 of the Housing Act 1985,
 - (ii) in Scotland, a house or building as referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) of section 152(1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987, and
 - (iii) in Northern Ireland, a house in multiple occupation as defined by Article 75 of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, or
 - (ab) a house-boat, that is, a boat or other floating decked structure—
 - (i) designed or adapted for use solely as a place of permanent habitation, and
 - (ii) not having means of, or capable of being readily adapted for, self-propulsion,

which, in the case of a house-boat in England and Wales or Northern Ireland, is a dwelling for the purposes of Part I of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, or as the case may be, the purposes of the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1977, or”.

Commencement Information

- II** S. 1 wholly in force at 1.4.1997: S. 1 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 2(2); S. 1 in force (S.) (1.12.1996) by S.I. 1996/2796, art. 2; and (N.I.) (5.12.1996) by S.R. 1996/559, art. 2; and (E.W.) (14.1.1997 for specified purposes, otherwise 1.4.1997) by S.I. 1997/47, art. 2

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Energy Conservation Act 1996. (See end of Document for details)

Marginal Citations

M1 1995 c. 10.

2 Citation and commencement.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Energy Conservation Act 1996.
- (2) This Act shall come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may, by order made by statutory instrument, appoint; and different days may be appointed for different purposes and different areas.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by order under subsection (2) make such transitional provision as appears to him to be appropriate.

He may, in particular, make such adaptations of sections 2 to 4 of the ^{M2}Home Energy Conservation Act 1995 as are necessary to enable an energy conservation authority to prepare a separate report under section 2 on houses in multiple occupation or house-boats.

- (4) In the application of this section to Northern Ireland—
 - (a) references to the Secretary of State shall be construed as references to the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland;
 - (b) the reference to an order made by statutory instrument shall be construed as a reference to an order which is a statutory rule for the purposes of the ^{M3}Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979.

Subordinate Legislation Made

P1 S. 2(2) power fully exercised:
 1.12.1996 appointed (S.) for whole Act by [S.I. 1996/2796, art. 2](#)
 5.12.1996 appointed (N.I.) for whole Act by [S.R. 1996/559, art. 2](#)
 14.1.1997 and 1.4.1997 appointed (E.W.) for whole Act by [S.I. 1997/47, art. 2](#)

Commencement Information

I2 S. 2 wholly in force at 1.4.1997: S. 2 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 2(2); S. 2 in force (S.) (1.12.1996) by [S.I. 1996/2796, art. 2](#); and (N.I.) (5.12.1996) by [S.R. 1996/559, art. 2](#); and (E.W.) (14.1.1997 for specified purposes, otherwise 1.4.1997) by [S.I. 1997/47, art. 2](#)

Marginal Citations

M2 1995 c. 10.
M3 [S.I. 1979/1573 \(N.I. 12\)](#).

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