



Housing Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 52

PART I

[^{F1}SOCIAL RENTED SECTOR [^{F1}REGULATED BY THE WELSH MINISTERS]]

CHAPTER III

GRANTS AND OTHER FINANCIAL MATTERS

Grants and other financial assistance

18 Social housing grants.

- (1) The [^{F1}Relevant Authority] may make grants to registered social landlords in respect of expenditure incurred or to be incurred by them in connection with their housing activities.
- (2) The [^{F1}Relevant Authority]^{F2}... shall specify in relation to grants under this section—
 - (a) the procedure to be followed in relation to applications for grant,
 - (b) the circumstances in which grant is or is not to be payable,
 - (c) the method for calculating, and any limitations on, the amount of grant, and
 - (d) the manner in which, and time or times at which, grant is to be paid.
- (3) In making a grant under this section, [^{F3}the Welsh Ministers] may provide that the grant is conditional on compliance by the landlord with such conditions as [^{F3}the Welsh Ministers] may specify.
- (4) The [^{F1}Relevant Authority] may, with the agreement of a local housing authority, appoint the authority to act as its agent in connection with the assessment and payment of grant under this section.
- [^{F4}(5) The appointment—

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- (a) if made by the Housing Corporation, shall be on such terms as the Housing Corporation may, with the approval of the Secretary of State given with the consent of the Treasury, specify, and
- (b) ^{F5}[An appointment made by] the ^{F6}[Welsh Ministers]^{F7}[under this section] , shall be on such terms as the ^{F6}[Welsh Ministers] may ^{F8}specify; and the authority shall act in accordance with those terms.]]
- (6) Where—
- (a) a grant under this section is payable to a registered social landlord, and
- (b) at any time property to which the grant relates becomes vested in, or is leased for a term of years to, or reverts to, another registered social landlord, or trustees for another such landlord,
- this section (including this subsection) shall have effect after that time as if the grant, or such proportion of it as is specified or determined under subsection (7), were payable to the other landlord.
- (7) The proportion mentioned in subsection (6) is that which, in the circumstances of the particular case—
- (a) ^{F3}[the Welsh Ministers], acting in accordance with such principles as it may from time to time determine, may specify as being appropriate, or
- (b) ^{F3}[the Welsh Ministers] may determine to be appropriate.

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Pt. I substituted (1.11.1998) by 1998 c. 38, s. 140, **Sch. 16 para. 82(1)(2)** (with ss. 139(2), 141(1), 143(2)); S.I. 1998/2244, **art.5**.
- F2** Words in s. 18(2) repealed (18.1.2005) by Housing Act 2004 (c. 34), s. 270(3)(c), Sch. 11 para. 8, **Sch. 16**
- F3** Words in Pt. I substituted (1.4.2010) by Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (c. 17), **ss. 61(7)**, 325(1); S.I. 2010/862, **art. 2** (with Sch.)
- F4** S. 18(5) substituted (1.11.1998) by 1998 c. 38, s. 140, **Sch. 16 para. 85(2)** (with ss. 139(2), 141(1), 143(2)); S.I. 1998/2244, **art.5**.
- F5** Words in s. 18(5)(b) substituted (1.4.2010) by The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/866), art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 85(2)(a)** (with art. 6, Sch. 3)
- F6** Words in s. 18(5)(b) substituted (1.4.2010) by Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (c. 17), **ss. 62(a)**, 325(1); S.I. 2010/862, **art. 2** (with Sch.)
- F7** Words in s. 18(5)(b) inserted (1.4.2010) by The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/866), art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 85(2)(b)** (with art. 6, Sch. 3)
- F8** Words in s. 18(5)(b) substituted (1.4.2010) by The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/866), art. 1(2), **Sch. 2 para. 85(2)(c)** (with art. 6, Sch. 3)
- F9** S. 18(8) repealed (1.4.2010) by The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/866), art. 1(2), Sch. 2 para. 85(3), **Sch. 4** (with art. 6, Sch. 3)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 1: The system of "registered social landlords" under this Part is replaced (8.9.2008 for specified purposes and 1.12.2008, 16.2.2009, 1.4.2009, 7.9.2009 and 1.4.2010 for further purposes) by **Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (c. 17)**, Pt. 2. This Part continues to apply in relation to Wales with certain provisions applied in relation to England and certain provisions preserved although they apply to England only, see s. 60 of the affecting Act; S.I. 2008/2358, art. 3; S.I. 2008/3068, art. 3 (with arts.

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6-13); S.I. 2009/363, art. 2; S.I. 2009/803, art. 7; S.I. 2009/2096, art. 2(1); S.I. 2010/862, art. 2 (with Sch.)

- C2** S. 18: transfer of functions (1.12.2008) by The Transfer of Housing Corporation Functions (Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/2839), arts. 1(1), **2**
- C3** S. 18 modified (1.12.2008) by The Transfer of Housing Corporation Functions (Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/2839), arts. 1(1), 3, **Sch. para. 5** (with art. 6)
- C4** S. 18(2)(7) extended (16.9.1996) by S.I. 1996/2402, art. 3, **Sch. para. 1**

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 18 wholly in force 1.4.1997: s. 18 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 232(1)-(3); s. 18(2)(7) in force for certain purposes at 1.10.1996 by S.I. 1996/2402, **art. 4** and s. 18 in force at 1.4.1997 to the extent it is not already in force by S.I. 1997/618, **art. 2**

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) savings for amendments by 2018 anaw 1, s. 6, Sch. 6 by [S.I. 2019/110 reg. 5](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

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

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 124(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(2\)](#)
- s. 124(6) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(6\)](#)
- s. 124A124B inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 21](#)
- s. 125A(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 22\(3\)](#)
- s. 130A inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 7](#)
- s. 133(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 9\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(3A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 13\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(7)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 25\(11\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after 2016 c. 22, s. 120 and Sch. 8 para. 13(3) come into force)
- s. 143GA143GB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 10](#)
- s. 143MA(3A)-(3D) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 27\(3\)](#)
- s. 143MB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 28](#)