



# Regional Development Agencies Act 1998

## 1998 CHAPTER 45

### PART I

#### REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES

##### *Development agencies*

#### **1 Establishment.**

- (1) For the purposes of this Act, England shall be divided into the regions specified in Schedule 1 and for each such region there shall be a development agency.
- (2) A development agency established by this section shall be a body corporate to be known by the name of the region for which it is established with the addition of the words “ Development Agency ”.
- (3) Any reference in Schedule 1 to a local government or administrative area is to that area as it is for the time being.

#### **Commencement Information**

- II** [S. 1](#) wholly in force at 3.7.2000; [S. 1](#) not in force at Royal Assent see [s. 43](#); [S. 1](#) in force at 25.11.1998 (except insofar as it relates to the establishment of a regional development agency for London) by [S.I. 1998/2952](#), [art. 2\(1\)](#); [s. 1](#) in force at 3.7.2000 (so far as it relates to the establishment of a regional development agency for London) by [S.I. 2000/1173](#), 2(1)

#### **2 Constitution.**

- (1) A regional development agency shall consist of not less than 8 nor more than 15 members appointed by the Secretary of State.

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*Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Regional Development Agencies Act 1998, Cross Heading: Development agencies. (See end of Document for details)*

- (2) In appointing a person to be a member of a regional development agency the Secretary of State shall have regard to the desirability of appointing a person who has experience of, and has shown capacity in, some matter relevant to the functions of the agency.
- (3) Before appointing a person to be a member of a regional development agency, the Secretary of State shall consult—
- (a) such persons as appear to him to represent local authorities whose areas fall to any extent within the agency's area,
  - (b) such persons as appear to him to represent employers in the agency's area,
  - (c) such persons as appear to him to represent employees in the agency's area,
  - (d) such persons as appear to him to represent the interests of those who live, work or carry on business in rural parts of the agency's area, and
  - (e) such other persons as he considers appropriate.
- (4) The Secretary of State—
- (a) shall designate one of the members of a regional development agency as the chairman of the agency, and
  - (b) may designate another of them as the deputy chairman of the agency.
- (5) Schedule 2 (which makes further provision about the constitution of regional development agencies) shall have effect.

**Commencement Information**

**I2** S. 2 partly in force; s. 2 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 43; s. 2 in force for certain purposes at 25.11.1998 by S.I. 1998/2952, art. 2(2)

**3 Status.**

A regional development agency shall not be regarded as the servant or agent of the Crown or as enjoying any status, immunity or privilege of the Crown and its property shall not be regarded as the property of, or property held on behalf of, the Crown.

**Commencement Information**

**I3** S. 3 wholly in force at 3.7.2000; s. 3 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 43; s. 3 in force for certain purposes at 25.11.1998 by S.I. 1998/2952, art. 2(2); s. 3 in force at 3.7.2000 in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2000/1173, art. 2(2)(c)

**Status:**

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