Regional Development Agencies Act 1998

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PART I

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES

Activities

6 Delegation of functions by Ministers

(1) A Minister of the Crown may, to such extent and subject to such conditions as he thinks fit, delegate any eligible function of his to a regional development agency.

(2) A function is eligible for the purposes of subsection (1) if—

(a) it does not consist of a power to make regulations or other instruments of a legislative character or a power to fix fees or charges, and

(b) the Secretary of State considers that it can appropriately be exercised by the regional development agency concerned.

(3) No delegation under subsection (1) may be made without the agreement of the regional development agency concerned, unless a corresponding delegation is made at the same time to all the other regional development agencies.

(4) No variation of a delegation under subsection (1) may be made without the agreement of the regional development agency concerned, unless—

(a) the delegation did not require the agency's agreement, and

(b) a corresponding variation of every corresponding delegation to another regional development agency is made at the same time.

(5) A delegation under subsection (1) may be revoked at any time.

(6) Schedule 3 (which makes provision for transfer schemes in connection with the delegation of a function, or the revocation of the delegation of a function, under this section) shall have effect.