



Learning and Skills Act 2000

2000 CHAPTER 21

PART V

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

Other miscellaneous provisions

[^{F2}140] [^{F1}Assessments relating to learning difficulties: Wales]

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
 - (a) a [^{F3}local authority][^{F4}in Wales] maintains a statement of special educational needs for a person under section 324 of the Education Act 1996, and
 - (b) the [^{F5}Welsh Ministers believe] that the person will leave school at the end of his last year of compulsory schooling to receive post-16 education or training (within the meaning of [^{F6}Part 2] of this Act) or higher education (within the meaning of the ^{M1}Education Reform Act 1988).
- (2) [^{F7}The Welsh Ministers] must arrange for an assessment of the person to be conducted at some time during the person's last year of compulsory schooling.
- (3) [^{F8}The Welsh Ministers] may at any time arrange for an assessment to be conducted of a person—
 - (a) who is in his last year of compulsory schooling or who is over compulsory school age but has not attained the age of 25,
 - (b) who appears [^{F9}to the Welsh Ministers] to have a learning difficulty (within the meaning of section 13), and
 - (c) who is receiving, or in the [^{F10}opinion of the Welsh Ministers] is likely to receive, post-16 education or training (within the meaning of [^{F10} Part 2] of this Act) or higher education (within the meaning of the ^{M2}Education Reform Act 1988).
- (4) For the purposes of this section an assessment of a person is an assessment resulting in a written report of—
 - (a) his educational and training needs, and

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(b) the provision required to meet them.

(5) A [^{F3}local authority][^{F11} in Wales] must send a copy of a statement maintained by it under section 324 of the ^{M3}Education Act 1996 to the [^{F12}Welsh Ministers on their request].

[^{F13}(5A) “Local authority in Wales” has the same meaning as in the Education Act 1996 (see section 579(1) of that Act).]

^{F14}(6)]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 140 heading substituted (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), **Sch. 1 para. 77**
- F2** S. 140 omitted (1.9.2021 for specified purposes, 1.1.2022 for specified purposes, 1.9.2022 for specified purposes) by virtue of [Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal \(Wales\) Act 2018 \(anaw 2\)](#), ss. **50(5)**, 100(3); S.I. 2021/373, arts. 3, 4, 6, 7 (as amended by S.I. 2021/938, art. 2); S.I. 2021/1243, art. 3 (with arts. 4-23) (as amended by S.I. 2021/1428, art. 2); S.I. 2021/1244, art. 3 (with arts. 4-21) (as amended by S.I. 2021/1428, art. 3); S.I. 2021/1245, arts. 3, 4 (with art. 1(4)); S.I. 2022/891, art. 3 (with arts. 4-25); S.I. 2022/892, arts. 2, 3 (with arts. 4-18); S.I. 2022/893, art. 4; S.I. 2022/894, art. 3; S.I. 2022/895, arts. 3, 4; S.I. 2022/896, art. 3 (with arts. 1(7), 4-22); S.I. 2022/897, art. 3 (with arts. 1(8), 4-21); S.I. 2022/898, arts. 2, 3
- F3** Words in Act substituted (5.5.2010) by [The Local Education Authorities and Children’s Services Authorities \(Integration of Functions\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/1158\)](#), **Sch. 2 para. 46(2)**
- F4** Words in s. 140(1)(a) inserted (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), **Sch. 1 para. 77(a)**
- F5** Words in s. 140(1)(b) substituted (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), **Sch. 1 para. 77(b)**
- F6** Words in s. 140(1)(b) substituted (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), **Sch. 1 para. 77(b)**
- F7** Words in s. 140(2) substituted (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), **Sch. 1 para. 77(c)**
- F8** Words in s. 140(3) substituted (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), **Sch. 1 para. 77(c)**
- F9** Words in s. 140(3)(b) substituted (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), **Sch. 1 para. 77(d)**
- F10** Words in s. 140(3)(c) substituted (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), **Sch. 1 para. 77(e)**
- F11** Words in s. 140(5) inserted (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), **Sch. 1 para. 77(f)**
- F12** Words in s. 140(5) substituted (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), **Sch. 1 para. 77(f)**
- F13** S. 140(5A) inserted (5.5.2010) by [The Local Education Authorities and Children’s Services Authorities \(Integration of Functions\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/1158\)](#), art. 1, **Sch. 2 para. 46(11)**
- F14** S. 140(6) repealed (26.11.2008) by [Education and Skills Act 2008 \(c. 25\)](#), s. 173(1)(g), Sch. 1 para. 77(g), 2

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 140 partly in force; s. 140 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 154; s. 140(5) in force for E. at 1.3.2001 by [S.I. 2001/654](#), art. 2, Sch. Pt. I; s. 140(3)(4) in force for E. at 1.4.2001 by [S.I. 2001/654](#), art. 2, Sch. Pt. II; s. 140(3) in force for W. at 1.4.2001 by [S.I. 2001/1274](#), art. 2, Sch. Pt. I; s. 140(4)(6) in force for W. for specified purposes at 1.4.2001 by [S.I. 2001/1274](#), art. 2, Sch. Pt. I; s. 140(1)(2)

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(4)-(6) wholly in force for W. at 1.4.2002 by [S.I. 2001/2705, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I](#); s. 140(1)(2) in force for E. at 1.4.2002 by [S.I. 2002/279, art. 2\(2\)\(b\)](#) (with art. 3)

Marginal Citations

- M1** 1988 c. 40.
- M2** 1988 c. 40.
- M3** 1996 c. 56.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 140 modified by [2002 c. 41 s. 36\(9\)\(c\)](#)

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

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

- s. 3A-3D inserted by [2006 c. 40 s. 75\(1\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S. 75 repealed (1.4.2010) without ever being in force by 2009 c. 22, Sch. 6 para. 59, Sch. 16 Pt. 2; S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2)
- s. 3A-3D repealed by [2009 c. 22 Sch. 16 Pt. 2](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The insertion of ss. 3A-3D never came into force and the inserting provision 2006 c. 40, s. 75 was repealed (1.4.2010) by 2009 c. 22, Sch. 6 para. 59, Sch. 16 Pt. 2; S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2)
- s. 3D(6) words substituted by [2007 c. 25 Sch. 1 para. 14](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The insertion of ss. 3A-3D never came into force and the inserting provision 2006 c. 40, s. 75 was repealed (1.4.2010) by 2009 c. 22, Sch. 6 para. 59, Sch. 16 Pt. 2; S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2)
- s. 18(9) added by 2009 c. 22 Sch. 2 para. 46(2B) (as modified) (cond.) by [S.I. 2010/1158 Sch. 4 para. 4\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S. 18 already repealed (1.4.2010) by Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (c. 22), s. 269(4), Sch. 6 para. 35, Sch. 16 Pt. 2; S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2)
- s. 18C(9) added by 2009 c. 22 Sch. 2 para. 46(2C) (as modified) (cond.) by [S.I. 2010/1158 Sch. 4 para. 4\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S. 18C already repealed (1.4.2010) by Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (c. 22), s. 269(4), Sch. 6 para. 36, 16 Pt. 2; S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2)
- s. 33D(3A) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(6\)](#)
- s. 33E(3A) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(7\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 33G(6) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(8\)](#)
- s. 33I(6) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(9\)](#)
- s. 33L(2A) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(12\)](#)
- s. 33M(1) s. 33M renumbered as s. 33M(1) by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(13\)](#)
- s. 33M(2) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(13\)](#)
- s. 33P(4) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(16\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 33Q(4) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(17\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 99(2A) inserted by [2008 c. 25 s. 160\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S. 160(2) repealed (1.4.2010) without ever being in force by 2009 c. 22, Sch. 16 Pt. 2; S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2)
- s. 99(2A) repealed by [2009 c. 22 Sch. 6 para. 45\(3\) Sch. 16 Pt. 2](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S. 99(2A) was never inserted and the inserting provision 2008 c. 25, s. 160(2) was repealed (1.4.2010) without ever being in force by 2009 c. 22, Sch. 16 Pt. 2; S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2)
- s. 125(2)(aa) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(24\)](#)
- s. 138(3)(ca) inserted by [2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 14\(26\)](#)