



Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 21

PART 2

FUNCTIONS OF FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITIES

Discharge of functions by others

17 Directions as to arrangements under section 16

- (1) The Secretary of State may direct two fire and rescue authorities—
 - (a) to enter into arrangements under section 16 in the terms specified in the direction;
 - (b) to make one or more specified variations to any such arrangements;
 - (c) to cancel any such arrangements.
- (2) The Secretary of State may give a direction under subsection (1) on his own initiative or at the request of one of the authorities.
- (3) Before giving a direction under subsection (1) the Secretary of State—
 - (a) must give the authorities concerned an opportunity to make representations to him;
 - (b) may cause an inquiry to be held.
- (4) The Secretary of State may give a direction under subsection (1) only if, after considering—
 - (a) any representations made under subsection (3)(a), and
 - (b) if an inquiry is held under subsection (3)(b), the report of the person by whom it is held,he considers it expedient to do so with a view to securing greater economy, efficiency and effectiveness.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004, Section 17. (See end of Document for details)

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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 17 in force at 7.9.2004 for specified purposes except in relation to W. and 1.10.2004 otherwise except in relation to W. by [S.I. 2004/2304](#), [art. 2](#) (with [art. 3](#))
- I2** S. 17 in force at 10.11.2004 for W. by [S.I. 2004/2917](#), [art. 2](#)

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