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5 EA 1996
6 In section 444ZA (application of section 444 to alternative educational...)
7 In Schedule 35B (meaning of “eligible child” for purposes of...)
8 SSFA 1998
9 After subsection (3) insert— (3A) A child who has been...
10 In subsection (4), in the opening words—
11 Equality Act 2010 (c. 15)
12 In the heading above paragraph 14, at the end insert...
13 In paragraph 14 (exclusions)— (a) in sub-paragraph (1), at the...

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1 Amendments to THEA 1998
2 In the heading to Chapter 1, for “Councils” substitute “Council..."
3 In the italic cross-heading above section 1, for “England” substitute...
4 In the italic cross-heading above section 2, for “England” substitute...
5 In section 2, in the heading, for “General Teaching Council...
6 In the italic cross-heading above section 8, at the beginning...
7 In section 8 (the General Teaching Council for Wales)—
8 In section 9 (functions of the General Teaching Council for...
9 In section 12 (deduction of fees from salaries, etc)—
10 In section 14 (supply of information relating to teachers: general)—...
11 In section 15 (supply of information following dismissal, resignation, etc)—...
12 In section 15A (supply of information by contractor, agency, etc)—...
13 In the italic cross-heading above section 19, at the end...
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15 In section 42 (orders and regulations)— (a) omit subsection (3);...
16 (1) Schedule 1 is amended as follows.
17 In Schedule 2 (disciplinary powers of Council), in paragraph 7...
18 Amendments to other Education Acts
19 (1) EA 2002 is amended as follows.
20 In ESA 2008— (a) in section 130 (directions prohibiting participation...
21 Other amendments
22 In Schedule 1 to the Superannuation Act 1972 (kinds of...
23 In Schedule 1 to the House of Commons Disqualification Act...
24 In section 50 of the Employment Rights Act 1996 (right...
25 In Schedule 1 to the Freedom of Information Act 2000...
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6 EA 1994
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8 In section 18B (inspection of teacher training), in subsections (3)...
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10 EA 1996
11 In section 398 (no requirement of attendance at Sunday school...
12 In section 450 (prohibition of charges for admission), in subsection...
13 Audit Commission Act 1998 (c. 18)
14 THEA 1998
15 Government of Wales Act 1998 (c. 38)
16 Freedom of Information Act 2000 (c. 36)
17 EA 2002
18 HEA 2004
19 For section 23, substitute— Duty of Secretary of State to...
20 (1) Section 24 (condition to be imposed by English funding...
21 (1) Section 27 (power of NAW to impose conditions as...
22 (1) Section 28 (condition that may be required to be...
23 In section 29 (sections 23 to 28: supplementary provisions), in...
24 In section 31 (Director of Fair Access to Higher Education),...
25 In section 34 (approval of plans), for subsection (1) substitute—....
26 In section 37 (enforcement of plans: England), in subsection (1)(a),...
27 In section 38 (enforcement of plans: Wales), in subsection (4),...
28 (1) Section 40 (provision of information) is amended as follows....
29 In section 41 (interpretation of Part 3), in subsection (2)(a)—...
30 EA 2005
31 Section 99 (introduction of Schedule 15) is repealed.
32 In Schedule 14 (amendments relating to training of school workforce),...
33 Schedule 15 (transitional and transitory provisions relating to Part 3)...

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Amendments to Schedule 9 to ASCLA 2009

(1) Paragraph 2 (membership) is amended as follows.

(1) Paragraph 3 (the Chief Regulator) is amended as follows...

After paragraph 3 insert— The chair (1) The chair holds and vacates office in accordance with...

In paragraph 4 (the deputy and other ordinary members: tenure),...

In the heading before paragraph 5, for “Chief Regulator and...

(1) Paragraph 5 (remuneration of members of Ofqual) is amended...

For the heading before paragraph 6 substitute “Staff”.

(1) Paragraph 6 (staff of Ofqual) is amended as follows....

Consequential amendments

In Part 3 of Schedule 1 to the House of...

In Part 3 of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland...

SCHEDULE 8 — Abolition of the QCDA: consequential amendments

Public Records Act 1958 (c. 51)
Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967 (c. 13)
Superannuation Act 1972 (c. 11)
House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 24)
EA 1996
In section 391 (functions of religious education advisory councils) for...
In section 408(1)(a) (provision of information relevant for particular purposes)...
EA 1997
LSA 2000
Freedom of Information Act 2000 (c. 36)
EA 2002
In section 85(9) (curriculum requirements for the fourth key stage:....
In section 87(7) (establishment of the National Curriculum for England...
(1) Section 90 (development work and experiments) is amended as...
For section 96 substitute— Procedure for making certain orders and...
Childcare Act 2006 (c. 21)
In section 42(2) (persons on whom order specifying assessment arrangements...
(1) Section 46 (power to enable exemptions from learning and...
EIA 2006
In section 74(1) (curriculum requirements for the fourth key stage)—...
Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (c. 47)
ASCLA 2009
In section 129(4) (persons who provide information to which Ofqual...
Section 173 and Schedule 10 (QCDA staff and property transfer...
In paragraph 8 of Schedule 5 (learning aims for persons...
In consequence of the amendments made by the other provisions...

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1 Amendments consequential on the amendments to section 85A (admission forums)
2 In EA 2002, section 66 (insertion of section 85B of...
3 In EIA 2006, in section 41 (role of admissions forums),...
4 Amendments consequential on the repeal of section 88J of SSFA 1998 (school adjudicators)

SCHEDULE 11 — Establishment of new schools
1 Amendments to Part 2 of EIA 2006
2 Before section 7 insert— Requirement to seek proposals for establishment...
3 In section 7 (invitation for proposals for establishment of new...
4 After section 7 insert— Withdrawal of notices under section 7...
5 Section 8 (proposals under section 7 relating to community or...
6 (1) Section 10 (publication of proposals with consent of Secretary...
7 (1) Section 11 (publication of proposals to establish maintained schools:...
8 In section 11A(1) (restriction on power of governing body to...
9 In section 12 (establishment of school as a federated school),...
10 (1) Schedule 2 (consideration, approval and implementation of proposals for...
11 Other amendments

SCHEDULE 12 — Further education institutions: amendments
1 Amendments to FHEA 1992
2 After section 16 insert— Publication of proposals (1) The appropriate authority may not make an order under...
3 (1) Section 19 (supplementary powers of further education corporations) is...
4 Section 19A (duty in relation to promotion of well-being of...
5 In section 20 (constitution of further education corporation and conduct...
6 For section 22 substitute— Subsequent instruments and articles: England A further education corporation in England may modify or replace...
7 For section 27 substitute— Proposals for dissolution of further education...
8 For section 29 substitute— Government and conduct of designated institutions...
9 In section 30 (special provision for certain institutions), in subsection...
10 In section 31 (designated institutions conducted by companies), omit subsection...
11 (1) Section 33C (establishment of new bodies corporate as sixth...
12 In section 33E (principal powers of a sixth form college...
13 In section 33F (supplementary powers of a sixth form college...
14 Section 33G (restrictions on exercise of supplementary powers of sixth...
15 Section 33H (duty in relation to promotion of well-being of...
16 In section 33I(2) (instrument and articles of government of sixth...
17 (1) Section 33J (special provision for certain institutions) is amended...
18 In section 33K (instrument and articles of new sixth form...
19 For section 33L substitute— Changes to instruments and articles (1) A sixth form college corporation may modify or replace...
20 For section 33N substitute— Proposals for dissolution of sixth form...
21 In section 38 (payments in respect of loan liabilities), in...
22 Section 49A (guidance about consultation with students and employees), as...
23 Section 51 (publication of proposals) is repealed.
24 In section 53 (inspection of accounts), in subsection (2)—
25 (1) Section 56A (intervention by Chief Executive of Skills Funding)... 
26 Section 56AA (appointment by Chief Executive of Skills Funding of...
27 Section 56B (intervention policy: England) is repealed.
28 Section 56C (directions) is repealed.
29 Section 56D (notification by local authority or YPLA of possible...
30 (1) Section 56E (intervention by local authority) is amended as...
31 Section 56F (appointment by local authorities of members of sixth...
32 Section 56G (intervention policy: sixth form colleges) is repealed.
33 Section 56H (intervention by YPLA) is repealed.
34 Section 56I (appointment by YPLA of members of sixth form...
35 Section 56J (notification by Chief Executive of Skills Funding of...
36 (1) Section 82 (joint exercise of functions) is amended as...
37 In section 83 (efficiency studies), in the table in subsection...
38 In section 88 (stamp duty)— (a) for “27” substitute “27B,...
39 In section 88A (stamp duty land tax)—
40 (1) Section 89 (orders, regulations and directions) is amended as...
41 (1) Section 90 (interpretation) is amended as follows.
42 In section 92 (index)— (a) after the entry for “further...
43 For Schedule 4 substitute— SCHEDULE 4 INSTRUMENTS AND ARTICLES OF...
44 Other amendments
45 In section 22 of the Further Education and Training Act...
46 (1) ASCLA 2009 is amended as follows.

SCHEDULE 13 — 16 to 19 Academies and alternative provision Academies: consequential amendments

1 AA 2010
2 In section 4(3) (Academy orders: when maintained school is “converted... 
3 (1) Section 6 (effect of Academy order) is amended as...
4 In section 10A (charges at boarding Academies) (inserted by section...
5 (1) Schedule 1 (Academies: land) (substituted by Schedule 14) is...
6 Other Acts
7 In Schedule 4A to the Water Industry Act 1991 (premises...
8 (1) FHEA 1992 is amended as follows.
9 (1) EA 1996 is amended as follows.
10 (1) SSFA 1998 is amended as follows.
11 In section 24 of the Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003 (sections...
12 In section 14 of the International Development Act 2002 (functions...
13 (1) EA 2002 is amended as follows.
14 In section 71 of the Income Tax (Trading and Other...
15 (1) EA 2005 is amended as follows.
16 (1) EIA 2006 is amended as follows.
17 (1) The Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 is amended as...
18 In section 71 of the Corporation Tax Act 2009 (educational...
19 In section 23 of ASCLA 2009 (duty to prepare and...
20 (1) The Equality Act 2010 is amended as follows.
SCHEDULE 14 — Academies: land

1. Schedule 1 to AA 2010
2. Amendments to Schedule 22 to SSFA 1998
3. In paragraph A1, in sub-paragraph (1)(b), at the end insert—...
4. After paragraph A1, insert— (1) This paragraph applies to a disposal of land to...
5. In paragraph A2, for sub-paragraphs (1) to (3), substitute—
6. In paragraph A7, in sub-paragraph (1)(b), at the end insert—...
7. After paragraph A7, insert— (1) This paragraph applies to a disposal of land to...
8. In paragraph A8, for sub-paragraphs (1) to (3), substitute—
9. (1) Paragraph A13 is amended as follows.
10. After paragraph A13, insert— (1) This paragraph applies to a disposal of land to...
11. In paragraph A14, for sub-paragraphs (1) to (5), substitute—
12. In paragraph A19, before sub-paragraph (1), insert—
13. (1) Paragraph A23 (land required by local authority for certain...
14. (1) Paragraph 5 (discontinuance of foundation, voluntary and foundation special...
15. (1) Paragraph 7 (disposal of property held by governing body...
16. Other amendments
17. Schedule 35A to EA 1996 (Academies: land) is repealed.
18. (1) Section 77 of SSFA 1998 (control of disposals or...
19. In section 65 of EA 2002 (Academies), omit subsection (1)....
20. (1) Section 12 of AA 2010 (charitable status of Academy...

SCHEDULE 15 — Academies: minor amendments

1. In Schedule 4 to the Finance Act 2003 (stamp duty...
2. In Schedule 17 to the Equality Act 2010 (disabled pupils:...
3. In section 2 of AA 2010 (payments under Academy arrangements),...

SCHEDULE 16 — Abolition of the YPLA: consequential amendments

1. Public Records Act 1958 (c. 51)
2. Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967 (c. 13)
3. Superannuation Act 1972 (c. 11)
4. House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 24)
5. Education (Fees and Awards) Act 1983 (c. 40)
6. Disabled Persons (Services, Consultation and Representation) Act 1986 (c. 33)
7. Employment Act 1988 (c. 19)
8. Education Reform Act 1988 (c. 40)
9. Value Added Tax Act 1994 (c. 23)
10. EA 1996
11. After section 15ZC insert— Sections 15ZA to 15ZC: duty to...
12. SSFA 1998
13. LSA 2000
14. In section 98 (approved qualifications: England), omit subsections (7) and...
15. (1) Section 144 (designated institutions: disposal of land, etc) is...
17. Freedom of Information Act 2000 (c. 36)
18. EA 2002
19. In section 183 (transfer of functions relating to allowances under...
Omit section 208A (recoupment: adjustment between local authorities and the...)

In section 210(6A) (Welsh orders and regulations subject to negative...

HEA 2004

Children Act 2004 (c. 31)

EA 2005

In section 14 (destination of reports: maintained schools), omit subsection...

In section 14A (destination of interim statements: maintained schools), omit...

In section 92 (joint exercise of functions), in subsection (2),...

In section 108 (supply of information: education maintenance allowances), in...

EIA 2006

(1) Section 123 (inspection of further education and training: education...

In section 124 (inspection of education and training to which...

In section 125 (inspection of further education institutions), in subsection...

In section 126 (other inspections), in subsection (4), omit paragraph...

In section 128 (area inspections), in subsection (3)(a), for “YPLA”...

In section 129 (reports of area inspections), in subsection (2),...

(1) Section 130 (action plans following area inspections) is amended...

In section 159(1) (interpretation of Part 8), omit the definition...

Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 (c. 47)

Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (c. 28)

ESA 2008

In section 13 (notification of non-compliance with section 2 duty),...

In section 72 (educational institutions: duty to provide information), in...

In section 77 (supply of information by public bodies), in...

In section 132 (providers of independent education or training for...

Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20)

ASCLA 2009

In section 107 (provision of services), in subsection (4), omit...

(1) Section 122 (sharing of information for education and training...

In Schedule 6 (dissolution of the Learning and Skills Council...

In Schedule 12 (Ofequal and the QCDA: minor and consequential...

SCHEDULE 17 — Abolition of the YPLA: transfer schemes

Staff transfer schemes

(1) This paragraph applies where a staff transfer scheme provides...

(1) This paragraph applies where a staff transfer scheme provides...

Property transfer schemes

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SCHEDULE 18 — The apprenticeship offer: consequential amendments

ASCLA 2009 is amended as follows.

In section 27(1) (contents of specification of apprenticeship standards for...

In section 36(5) (power to apply provisions with modifications in...
4 In section 82(5) (meaning of Chief Executive’s “apprenticeship functions”), omit...
5 In section 83, for the heading substitute “Power to secure...
6 In section 84(1) (arrangements with local authorities), after “section 83”...
7 In section 86 (education and training for persons aged 19...
8 Sections 91 to 99 (functions of the Chief Executive of...
9 In section 100(1) (power of Chief Executive to secure provision...
10 Section 104 (assistance and support in relation to apprenticeship places)...
11 In section 105 (promoting progression from level 2 to level...
12 In section 121(3) (interpretation of Part 4: training within the...
13 (1) Section 262 (orders and regulations) is amended as follows....
14 In section 269 (commencement), omit subsection (5).