



Fire Services Act 1959

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2 Reinforcement schemes

For subsection (3) of section two of the principal Act (which enables the Secretary of State to make a reinforcement scheme for any fire authorities) there shall be substituted the following subsection:—

“(3) Where a fire authority cannot obtain the agreement of another fire authority or other fire authorities to the making, variation or revocation of a reinforcement scheme, the Secretary of State may, at the request of the authority and after giving both or all the authorities concerned an opportunity to make representations to him, direct that such scheme or variation as may be specified in the direction shall be made by the authorities or, as the case may be, that the scheme shall be revoked.”;

subsection (7) of that section (which relates to the variation of such a scheme) shall be omitted, and for subsections (2) and (5) of that section there shall be substituted respectively the following subsections:—

“(2) Any reinforcement scheme and the variation or revocation of any reinforcement scheme shall be notified to the Secretary of State.”

“(5) A direction by the Secretary of State for the making or variation of a reinforcement scheme may provide for such uniformity of equipment as appears to him to be necessary for the purpose of ensuring that the fire brigades affected will be able to render efficient assistance in pursuance of the scheme.””