

## Crofters (Scotland) Act 1961

## **1961 CHAPTER 58**

## Amendment of powers of Secretary of State with respect to giving of financial assistance in crofting counties

- (1) The Secretary of State shall have the like power to provide financial assistance—
  - (a) for occupiers of crofts who are also the owners thereof and who in the opinion of the Secretary of State are of substantially the same economic status as a crofter; and
  - (b) for occupiers of holdings, other than crofts, situated in the crofting counties which are either holdings of which the area does not exceed seventy-five acres (exclusive of any common pasture or grazing held therewith) or holdings the annual rent of which, if they were crofts let to crofters under the Act of 1955 and this Act, would not, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, exceed fifty pounds, being occupiers who in the opinion of the Secretary of State are of substantially the same economic status as a crofter; and
  - (c) for subtenants of crofts or parts of crofts occupying under subleases intimated or granted as mentioned in subsection (2) of the last foregoing section;

as he has by virtue of subsection (1) of section twenty-two of the Act of 1955 to provide financial assistance for crofters; and accordingly subsection (1) of the said section twenty-two shall have effect as if the reference therein to crofts included a reference to such holdings and to parts of crofts and as if the reference therein to crofters included a reference to occupiers of crofts who are also the owners thereof, to occupiers of such holdings and to subtenants of crofts or parts of crofts.

(2) The Secretary of State may make regulations providing that the conditions applied to any dwelling-house by regulations made under subsection (4) of section twenty4wo of the Act of 1955 or subsection (3) of section seventy-seven of the Agriculture (Scotland) Act, 1948 (which subsections provide for the making by the Secretary of State of regulations applying certain conditions to crofters' dwelling-houses in respect of which a grant has been made), shall not apply to such dwelling-house in such circumstances and to such extent as may be specified in the regulations made under this subsection.