



# Local Government Act 1948

## CHAPTER 26

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1948

#### PART I

##### EXCHEQUER GRANTS AND OTHER FINANCIAL PROVISIONS (ENGLAND AND WALES).

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- 3 Meaning of " standard rateable value ".
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- 7 Provisions as to Health Service Exchequer Grants.
- 8 Power to pay council's contributions to voluntary associations out of sums payable as Exchequer Grants.

###### *Payments by county councils to local authorities in county.*

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- 11 Discontinuance of burden payments on changes of boundary.
- 12 Continuation of third fixed grant period for certain purposes.
- 13 Special provisions as to Exchequer Grants for 1948-49.

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- 19 Meaning of " standard rateable value ".
- 20 Meaning of " the relevant fraction ".
- 21 Exchequer transitional grants for first five years.
- 22 Power to reduce Exchequer Grants.
- 23 Provisions as to Health Service Exchequer Grants.
- 24 Power to pay council's contributions to voluntary association out of sum payable as Exchequer grants.

#### *Payments out of Exchequer Equalisation Grant to small burghs and landward areas.*

- 25 Payments to small burghs and landward areas.

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- 84 Extent of Part IV.

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- 1 In subsection (1) of section six of the Rating Act,...
- 2 Subsection (4) of section one of the Rating and Valuation...
- 3 In subsection (1) of section twenty-four of the Rating and...

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##### SCHEDULE

##### PART I

*Repeals consequential upon Parts I and II of this Act.*

##### PART II

*Repeals consequential upon Part III of this Act.*

##### PART III

*Repeals consequential upon Part V of this Act.*

PART IV

*Repeals consequential upon changes as to Metropolitan Police Fund precepting powers.*

PART V

*Repeals consequential upon other provisions of this Act.*