

Local Government Act 1948

1948 CHAPTER 26

PART II

EXCHEQUER GRANTS AND OTHER FINANCIAL PROVISIONS (SCOTLAND).

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

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(1) For the year 1948-49 and each subsequent year, there shall—

- (a) be paid to the council of each small burgh; and
- (b) be set aside for behoof of the landward area of each county,

the sums hereinafter specified.

- (a) a sum equal to one-half of the aggregate of Exchequer Equalisation Grants payable under this Part of this Act for that year to the county councils shall be divided by the aggregate of the populations of the counties;
- (b) the sum to be paid to the council of a small burgh shall be the sum ascertained under the last foregoing paragraph multiplied by the population of the burgh;
- (c) the sum to be set aside for behoof of the landward area of a county shall be such sum as amounts to two-thirds of the sum ascertained under paragraph (a) of this subsection multiplied by the population of the landward area.
- (3) The sums payable under the foregoing provisions of this section to the council of a small burgh or to be set aside for behoof of the landward area of a county shall be paid by the Secretary of State to the council of the burgh, or the council of the county as the case may be, and shall be deducted from the Exchequer Equalisation Grant payable to the council of the county comprising the small burgh or the landward area as the case may be:

Provided that, if no such Grant is payable to the county council, or if the Grant so payable is insufficient to pay the sums due to the small burgh and the landward area,

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those sums, or the balance thereof as the case may be, shall be recoverable by the Secretary of State from the county council, and any sum so recoverable shall be deemed to be expenditure on functions for which small burghs are included within the county.