



Ministry of Fuel and Power Act 1945

1945 CHAPTER 19

1 Appointment and functions of the Minister of Fuel and Power.

- (1) It shall be lawful for His Majesty to appoint a Minister of Fuel and Power (in this Act referred to as " the Minister ") who shall be charged with the general duty of securing the effective and co-ordinated development of coal, petroleum and other minerals and sources of fuel and power in Great Britain, of maintaining and improving the safety, health and welfare of persons employed in or about mines and quarries therein, and of promoting economy and efficiency in the supply, distribution, use and consumption of fuel and power, -whether produced in Great Britain or not.
- (2) The functions specified in the First Schedule to this Act (being functions transferred to the Minister of Fuel and Power by the Ministers of the Crown (Minister of Fuel and Power) Order, 1942, made by His Majesty in Council under the Ministers of the Crown (Emergency Appointments) Act, 1939), and all other functions conferred or imposed on that Minister by virtue of any enactment, regulation, order or other instrument passed or made before the commencement of this Act, shall be functions of the Minister appointed under this Act, and the said Order in Council (including the consequential provisions incorporated therewith) shall continue in force by virtue of this Act with respect to the functions thereby transferred notwithstanding the repeal of the Ministers of the Crown (Emergency Appointments) Act, 1939, or the expiration of any Order in Council (whether made under that Act or under the Emergency Powers (Defence) Acts, 1939 and 1940) by which those functions were previously transferred.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of the last foregoing subsection, the Ministers of the Crown (Emergency Appointments) Act, 1939, shall, as from the date upon which a Minister is first appointed under this Act, cease to apply to the Minister of Fuel and Power.