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## HOUSING, ENGLAND AND WALES

**The Grants by Local Authorities (Appropriate Percentage and  
Exchequer Contributions) (Amendment) Order 1981**
*Laid before the House of Commons in draft**Made - - - - - 27th November 1981**Coming into Operation 1st January 1982*

The Secretary of State for the Environment as respects England, and the Secretary of State for Wales as respects Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 59(a) and 128(1) and (1A)(b) of the Housing Act 1974(c) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and with the consent of the Treasury, hereby make the following order:—

*Citation and commencement*

1. This order may be cited as the Grants by Local Authorities (Appropriate Percentage and Exchequer Contributions) (Amendment) Order 1981 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1982.

*Amendment to the Grants by Local Authorities (Appropriate Percentage and Exchequer Contributions) Order 1980*

2. The Grants by Local Authorities (Appropriate Percentage and Exchequer Contributions) Order 1980(d) is hereby amended in relation to an application for grant approved after 31st December 1981 by the insertion after article 3(2)(d) of the following:—

- “(e) the application is for an improvement grant in respect of the provision or improvement of a dwelling for a disabled occupant and the relevant works consist of or include works needed to meet a requirement arising from the particular disability from which he suffers;
- (f) the application is for an intermediate grant and the relevant works consist of or include the provision for a disabled occupant of any standard amenity where an existing amenity of the same description is not or will not be readily accessible to the disabled occupant by reason of his disability.”

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(a) Substituted by section 107 of, and paragraph 4 of Schedule 12 to, the Housing Act 1980 (c. 51).

(b) Inserted by section 152 of, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 25 to, the Housing Act 1980.

(c) 1974 c. 44.

(d) S.I. 1980/1735.

25th November 1981.

*Michael R. D. Heseltine,*  
Secretary of State for the Environment.

25th November 1981.

*Nicholas Edwards,*  
Secretary of State for Wales.

We consent,

27th November 1981.

*P. L. Brooke,*  
*Tony Newton,*  
Two of the Lord's Commissioners  
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

The amount of a grant for the improvement or repair of a dwelling under Part VII of the Housing Act 1974 (as amended principally by section 107 of and Schedule 12 to the Housing Act 1980) is determined inter alia by the "appropriate percentage" of the cost of the works to be carried out. Section 59 of the 1974 Act provides for this percentage to be ascertained from orders made by the Secretary of State.

The Grants by Local Authorities (Appropriate Percentage and Exchequer Contributions) Order 1980 prescribes the appropriate percentage for different descriptions of cases. This Order amends the 1980 Order to include among the cases for which the appropriate percentage is 75% an application for an improvement grant where the relevant works consist of or include works needed to meet a requirement of a disabled occupant and an application for an intermediate grant where the relevant works consist of or include the provision of a standard amenity for a disabled occupant where an existing amenity is not readily accessible to him by reason of his disability.

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