



# Housing (Wales) Act 2014

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## PART 2

### HOMELESSNESS

#### CHAPTER 2

##### HELP FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS OR THREATENED WITH HOMELESSNESS

###### *Duties to help applicants*

#### **68 Interim duty to secure accommodation for homeless applicants in priority need**

- (1) The local housing authority must secure that suitable accommodation is available for the occupation of an applicant to whom subsection (2) or (3) applies until the duty comes to an end in accordance with section 69.
- (2) This subsection applies to an applicant who the authority has reason to believe may—
  - (a) be homeless,
  - (b) be eligible for help, and
  - (c) have a priority need for accommodation,in circumstances where the authority is not yet satisfied that the applicant is homeless, eligible for help and in priority need for accommodation.
- (3) This subsection applies to an applicant—
  - (a) who the authority has reason to believe or is satisfied has a priority need or whose case has been referred from a local housing authority in England under section 198(1) of the Housing Act 1996, and
  - (b) to whom the duty in section 73 (duty to help to end homelessness) applies.
- (4) The duty under this section arises irrespective of any possibility of the referral of the applicant's case to another local housing authority (see sections 80 to 82).