

These notes refer to the Abolition of the Right to Buy and Associated Rights (Wales) Act 2018 (c.1) which received Royal Assent on 24 January 2018

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 5 – Exception to the restriction on exercising the right to acquire

28. This section amends the Housing Act 1996. It inserts a new section 16C into that Act, setting out an exception to the restriction on exercising the right to acquire. If the exception applies, or has applied, in respect of a home, the right to acquire can be exercised by an eligible tenant even if the home is new social housing stock.
29. The exception applies where, after the date on which section 4 came into force, the court has ordered a tenant with the right to acquire to give up possession of their home on certain specified grounds, the tenant has moved into a new home (which is new social housing stock), and the new home is considered suitable accommodation for the purposes of the court order.
30. Further exceptions in which the right to acquire can be exercised in relation to homes that are not from previously let social housing stock can be added by regulations.