



Rent (Agriculture) Amendment Act 1977

1977 CHAPTER 17

An Act to impose time limits on the duty of housing authorities to notify their decisions on applications under section 27 of the Rent (Agriculture) Act 1976. [26th May 1977]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Time limits for notification of housing authority's decision.

(1) For section 28(6) of the Rent (Agriculture) Act 1976 (notification of housing authority's decision on application under section 27 of that Act) there shall be substituted the following subsections—

“(6) The authority shall notify their decision on the application in writing to the applicant, and to the occupier of the dwelling-house, within three months of their receiving the application or, if an application is made for the services of a committee under section 29 of this Act, within two months of their receiving the committee's advice.

(6A) The notification shall state—

- (a) if the authority are satisfied that the applicant's case is substantiated in accordance with section 27 above, what action they propose to take on the application;
- (b) if they are not so satisfied, the reasons for their decision.”

(2) Subsection (1) above does not apply where the application under the said section 27 is received by the housing authority concerned before the coming into force of this Act.

2 Short title, etc.

(1) This Act may be cited as the Rent (Agriculture) Amendment Act 1977.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (2) This Act shall come into force at the expiration of a period of two weeks beginning with the date on which it is passed.
- (3) This Act does not extend to Scotland or Northern Ireland.