



# National Health Service Act 1977

## 1977 CHAPTER 49

### PART VI

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTARY

##### *General provisions as to charges*

#### **121 Charges in respect of non-residents**

Regulations may provide for the making and recovery, in such manner as may be prescribed, of such charges—

- (a) in respect of such services provided under this Act as may be prescribed, being
- (b) services provided in respect of such persons not ordinarily resident in Great Britain as may be prescribed.

Such regulations may provide that the charges are only to be made in such cases as may be determined in accordance with the regulations.

#### **122 Recovery of charges**

- (1) All charges recoverable under this Act by the Secretary of State, a local social services authority, or any body constituted under this Act, may, without prejudice to any other method of recovery, be recovered summarily as a civil debt.
- (2) If any person, for the purpose of evading the payment of any charge under this Act, or of reducing the amount of any such charge—
  - (a) knowingly makes any false statement or false representation, or
  - (b) produces or furnishes, or causes or knowingly allows to be produced or furnished, any document or information which he knows to be false in a material particular,

the charge, or as the case may be the balance of the charge, may be recovered from him as a simple contract debt by the person by whom the cost of the service in question was defrayed.