



Education (Scotland) Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 44

PART II

RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF PARENTS AND FUNCTIONS OF EDUCATION AUTHORITIES IN RELATION TO INDIVIDUAL PUPILS

Provision of food and clothing

54 Provision of clothing for pupils at public schools.

- (1) When it is brought to the notice of an education authority that a pupil attending a school under their management ^{F1}... is unable by reason of the inadequacy or unsuitability of his clothing to take full advantage of the education provided, the education authority shall make such provision for the pupil for the purpose of ensuring that he is sufficiently and suitably clad as they may deem necessary during such period while the pupil is attending school (including days when the school does not meet) as they may determine.
- (2) Where an education authority make provision for a pupil in pursuance of this section, they shall be entitled to recover from the parent of the pupil the expense thereby incurred or, if the authority are satisfied that the parent is unable without financial hardship to pay the whole of that expense, such part thereof, if any, as he is, in the opinion of the authority, able without financial hardship to pay.
- (3) Without prejudice to any powers conferred upon them by subsections (1) and (2) above, an education authority may provide clothing free of charge—
 - (i) for any pupil who is a boarder at a school, or
 - (ii) for any pupil in attendance at a nursery school or a nursery class, under the management of the authority ^{F2}....
- (4) For the purposes of this section—
 - (a) a pupil on attaining the age of five years shall, pending his admission to school, be deemed to be attending a school under the management of the education authority in whose area he is ordinarily resident; and

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- [^{F3}(b) a child or young person—
- (i) having additional support needs, and
 - (ii) who is, for the purposes of the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 (asp 4), a child or young person for whose school education an education authority are responsible by virtue of section 29(3)(b) of that Act,
- shall be deemed to be attending a school under the management of that authority.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 54(1) repealed (31.12.2004) by Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000 (asp 6), s. 61(2), **sch. 3**; S.S.I. 2004/528, art. 2(b)
- F2** Words in s. 54(3) repealed (31.12.2004) by Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000 (asp 6), s. 61(2), **sch. 3**; S.S.I. 2004/528, art. 2(b)
- F3** S. 54(4)(b) substituted (14.11.2005) by Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 (asp 4), s. 35(1), **sch. 3 para. 3(11)**; S.S.I. 2005/564, art. 2

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 48A(5)(a)(I) words repealed by [2000 asp 6 Sch. 3](#)
- s. 53(3)(b)(i)-(iia) repealed by [2012 c. 5 Sch. 14 Pt. 1](#)
- s. 53(3)(b)(iii) words repealed by [2012 c. 5 Sch. 14 Pt. 1](#)
- s. 53ZA inserted by [2016 asp 8 s. 22\(3\)](#)
- s. 54A inserted by [2016 asp 8 s. 23](#)
- s. 98DA inserted by [2016 asp 8 s. 28\(2\)](#)
- s. 99(1A)(g)(ii) word substituted by [2020 asp 13 sch. 5 para. 8\(3\)](#)
- s. 99(1A)(h)(ii) word substituted by [2020 asp 13 sch. 5 para. 8\(3\)](#)