



Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 22

PART VI

GENERAL

[^{F1}71 Default powers.

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if the appropriate Minister is satisfied that a relevant health protection authority has failed to discharge its functions under a relevant provision of this Act in any case where it ought to have discharged them.
- (2) The appropriate Minister may make an order—
 - (a) declaring the authority to be in default, and
 - (b) directing the authority to discharge such of its functions, and in such manner and within such time or times, as may be specified in the order.
- (3) If the authority fails to comply with a requirement of the order within the specified time, the appropriate Minister may—
 - (a) enforce the order by mandatory order or otherwise, or
 - (b) make an order transferring such of the functions of the authority to the Minister or such other public authority as may be specified in the order.
- (4) If functions are transferred by virtue of subsection (3)(b) to the Minister, the Minister may direct another public authority to discharge them on the Minister's behalf.
- (5) An order under subsection (3)(b) may include provision about the funding of the functions, including provision requiring the relevant health protection authority to bear any costs associated with the discharge of those functions by or on behalf of the Minister or other public authority.
- (6) The appropriate Minister may vary or revoke an order made by the Minister under subsection (3)(b), but without prejudice to anything previously done under it.

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- (7) If such an order is revoked, the appropriate Minister may, either by the revoking order or by a subsequent order, make provision with respect to the transfer, vesting and discharge of any property or liabilities acquired or incurred by or on behalf of the Minister or other public authority in discharging any functions to which the revoking order related.]

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Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 71 substituted (21.7.2008 for specified purposes, otherwise 6.4.2010 for E. and 26.7.2010 for W.) by [Health and Social Care Act 2008 \(c. 14\)](#), s. 170, [Sch. 11 para. 26](#); S.I. 2010/708, art. 6(e) (with [Sch. 2](#)); S.I. 2010/1547, art. 2(e) (with [Sch. 1](#))

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