

Education (No. 2) Act 1986

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SCHEDULE 3 —

General

- 1 The articles of government for every county, controlled and maintained...
- 2 The articles of government for every aided and special agreement...
- 3 (1) Where, in accordance with any provision of the articles...
- 3A (1) No appeal under section 26(1)(a) or (2) of this...
- 4 Part I of Schedule 2 of the 1980 Act (constitution...
- 5 The Secretary of State may by order amend this Schedule....

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- 6 An appeal shall be by notice in writing setting out...
- 6A The appeal committee shall meet to consider an appeal—
 - 7 On an appeal by a pupil or parent, the appeal...
- 8 On an appeal by a governing body, the appeal committee—...
- 9 (1)The body responsible for making any arrangements under section 26...
- 10 In considering any appeal, the appeal committee shall take into...
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- 12 Within— (a) the period ending with the seventeenth school day...
- 13 All appeals shall be heard in private except when otherwise...
- 14 Two or more appeals may be combined and dealt with...
- 15 Subject to the preceding provisions of this Schedule, all matters...
- 16 In this Schedule references to appeals are to appeals under...
- 17 (1) Where in accordance with paragraph 1 or 2 above...

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1 2 The Education Act 1962 (c.12) In section 4(5) of the Education Act 1962 (meaning of... 3 4 The Local Government Act 1974 (c.7) 5 6 7 SCHEDULE 5 —

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1 (1) Section 1 of this Act shall not require the...

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Part I — ENACTMENTS REPEALED Part II — INSTRUMENTS REVOKED

Changes to legislation:

Education (No. 2) Act 1986 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 03 March 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. View outstanding changes

Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 43(4A)(a) omitted by 2023 c. 16 Sch. para. 18(a)
- s. 43(5)(aa) substituted by 2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 3(2)(a)
- s. 43(6) words omitted by 2023 c. 16 Sch. para. 18(b)(i)
- s. 43(6) words omitted by 2023 c. 16 Sch. para. 18(b)(ii)

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. 43(6)(b) substituted by 2022 asc 1 Sch. 4 para. 3(2)(b)