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PART I

SCHOOLS

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THE CURRICULUM

Preliminary

1 Duties with respect to the curriculum

- (1) It shall be the duty—
- (a) of the Secretary of State as respects every maintained school;
 - (b) of every local education authority as respects every school maintained by them; and
 - (c) of every governing body or head teacher of a maintained school as respects that school;
- to exercise their functions (including, in particular, the functions conferred on them by this Chapter with respect to religious education, religious worship and the National Curriculum) with a view to securing that the curriculum for the school satisfies the requirements of this section.
- (2) The curriculum for a maintained school satisfies the requirements of this section if it is a balanced and broadly based curriculum which—
- (a) promotes the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils at the school and of society; and
 - (b) prepares such pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life.