

Access to Justice Act 1999

1999 CHAPTER 22

Part I

LEGAL SERVICES COMMISSION

Community Legal Service

9 **Procedure relating to funding code**

- (1) After preparing the code or a revised version of the code the Commission shall send a copy to the Lord Chancellor.
- (2) If he approves it he shall lay it before each House of Parliament.
- (3) The Commission shall publish—
 - (a) the code as first approved by the Lord Chancellor, and
 - (b) where he approves a revised version, either the revisions or the revised code as appropriate.
- (4) The code as first approved by the Lord Chancellor shall not come into force until it has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.
- (5) A revised version of the code which does not contain changes in the criteria set out in the code shall not come into force until it has been laid before each House of Parliament.
- (6) Subject as follows, a revised version of the code which does contain such changes shall not come into force until it has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.
- (7) Where the Lord Chancellor considers that it is desirable for a revised version of the code containing such changes to come into force without delay, he may (when laying the revised version before Parliament) also lay before each House a statement of his reasons for so considering.
- (8) In that event the revised version of the code—

- (a) shall not come into force until it has been laid before each House of Parliament, and
- (b) shall cease to have effect at the end of the period of 120 days beginning with the day on which it comes into force unless a resolution approving it has been made by each House (but without that affecting anything previously done in accordance with it).