



# Food Standards Act 1999

## 1999 CHAPTER 28

### *Monitoring of enforcement action*

#### **15 Meaning of “enforcement authority” and related expressions**

- (1) In sections 12 to 14 “relevant legislation” means—
- (a) the provisions of the 1990 Act and regulations or orders made under it;
  - (b) the provisions of the 1991 Order and regulations or orders made under it; and
  - (c) the provisions of Part IV of the Agriculture Act 1970 and regulations made under that Part of that Act, so far as relating to matters connected with animal feedingstuffs.
- (2) In those sections “enforcement authority” means—
- (a) in the case of provisions of the 1990 Act or regulations or orders made under it, the authority by whom they are to be enforced (including a Minister of the Crown, the National Assembly for Wales, the Scottish Ministers or the Agency itself if, by virtue of section 6(3) or (4) of the 1990 Act, that authority is the enforcement authority in relation to those provisions);
  - (b) in the case of provisions of the 1991 Order and regulations or orders made under it, the authority by whom they are to be enforced (including a Northern Ireland Department or the Agency itself if, by virtue of the Order, it is the enforcement authority in relation to those provisions); and
  - (c) in the case of provisions of Part IV of the Agriculture Act 1970 (or regulations made under it), an authority mentioned in section 67 of that Act;
- and “enforcement”, in relation to relevant legislation, includes the execution of any provisions of that legislation.
- (3) Any reference in those sections (however expressed) to the performance of an enforcement authority in enforcing any relevant legislation includes a reference to the capacity of that authority to enforce it.