



Education Act 2002

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PART 4

POWERS OF INTERVENTION

Schools causing concern

56 Power of Secretary of State to appoint additional governors or direct closure

- (1) In section 18 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (c. 31) (power of Secretary of State to appoint additional governors) for subsection (1) there is substituted—

“(1) If at any time section 15 applies to a maintained school by virtue of either of the following provisions of that section, namely—

- (a) subsection (4) (school with serious weaknesses), or
- (b) subsection (6) (school requiring special measures),

the Secretary of State may appoint such number of additional governors as he thinks fit; and he may nominate one of those governors to be the chairman of the governing body in place of any person who has been elected as chairman of that body.”

- (2) In section 19 of that Act (power of Secretary of State to direct closure of school) for subsection (1) there is substituted—

“(1) If at any time section 15 applies to a maintained school by virtue of either of the following provisions of that section, namely—

- (a) subsection (4) (school with serious weaknesses), or
- (b) subsection (6) (school requiring special measures),

the Secretary of State may give a direction to the local education authority requiring the school to be discontinued on a date specified in the direction.”

- (3) Schedule 5 (which contains amendments consequential on the provisions of section 55 and this section) shall have effect.