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Equality Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 3

PART 1

THE COMMISSION FOR EQUALITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Duties

8 Equality and diversity

(1) The Commission shall, by exercising the powers conferred by this Part—
   (a) promote understanding of the importance of equality and diversity,
   (b) encourage good practice in relation to equality and diversity,
   (c) promote equality of opportunity,
   (d) promote awareness and understanding of rights under the [F1Equality Act 2010],
   (e) enforce [F2that Act],
   (f) work towards the elimination of unlawful discrimination, and
   (g) work towards the elimination of unlawful harassment.

(2) In subsection (1)—
   “diversity” means the fact that individuals are different,
   “equality” means equality between individuals, and
   “unlawful” is to be construed in accordance with section 34.

(3) In promoting equality of opportunity between disabled persons and others, the Commission may, in particular, promote the favourable treatment of disabled persons.

(4) In this Part “disabled person” means a person who—
   (a) is a disabled person within the meaning of the [F3Equality Act 2010], or
   (b) has been a disabled person within that meaning (whether or not at a time when that Act had effect).
Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F1 Words in s. 8(1)(d) substituted (1.10.2010) by Equality Act 2010 (c. 15), s. 216(3), Sch. 26 para. 62(2) (a) (with ss. 6(4), 205); S.I. 2010/2317, art. 2(15)(c)(iv) (as amended (1.10.2010) by S.I. 2010/2337, art. 2)

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F3 Words in s. 8(4) substituted (1.10.2010) by Equality Act 2010 (c. 15), s. 216(3), Sch. 26 para. 62(3) (with ss. 6(4), 205); S.I. 2010/2317, art. 2(15)(c)(iv) (as amended (1.10.2010) by S.I. 2010/2337, art. 2)
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