



# Defence Reform Act 2014

## 2014 CHAPTER 20

### PART 4

#### FINAL PROVISIONS

#### 50 Commencement

- (1) Parts 1 to 3 come into force on such day or days as the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument appoint.
- (2) An order under subsection (1) may appoint different days for different purposes.
- (3) No statutory instrument containing an order under subsection (1) in respect of Part 1 (with or without provision under subsection (10)) is to be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.
- (4) Before a draft is laid before Parliament in accordance with subsection (3), the Secretary of State must—
  - (a) prepare and lay before Parliament a report on the options for carrying out defence procurement, and
  - (b) publish the report.
- (5) A report on the options for carrying out defence procurement is a report about—
  - (a) the arrangements of a kind mentioned in section 1 that the Secretary of State proposes to make following the coming into force of that section, and
  - (b) any other options for carrying out defence procurement that the Secretary of State has considered as an alternative to those proposed arrangements.
- (6) The report must include—
  - (a) an assessment of the impact of the proposed arrangements and the other options, and
  - (b) any other information the Secretary of State considers appropriate for the purpose of enabling a proper comparison to be made between the proposed arrangements and the other options.

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- (7) The report must deal with at least one other option under subsection (5)(b), namely the carrying out of defence procurement by the Secretary of State in the way it is carried out at the time of the report.
- (8) In subsections (4) to (7) “defence procurement” has the meaning given by section 1(8).
- (9) This Part comes into force on the day on which this Act is passed.
- (10) The Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument make transitional, transitory or saving provision in connection with the coming into force of any provision of this Act.
- (11) An order under subsection (10) may make different provision for different purposes.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 25(8A) inserted by [2023 c. 54 Sch. 10 para. 13\(3\)](#)
- s. 35A inserted by [2023 c. 54 Sch. 10 para. 19](#)