

## Children and Families Act 2014

## **2014 CHAPTER 6**

## PART 3

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN ENGLAND WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OR DISABILITIES

Appeals, mediation and dispute resolution

## Appeals and claims by children: pilot schemes

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order make pilot schemes enabling children in England to—
  - (a) appeal to the First-tier Tribunal under section 51;
  - (b) make a claim to the First-tier Tribunal under Schedule 17 to the Equality Act 2010 (disabled pupils: enforcement) that a responsible body in England has contravened Chapter 1 of Part 6 of that Act because of the child's disability.
- (2) An order under subsection (1) may, in particular, make provision—
  - (a) about the age from which children may appeal or make a claim;
  - (b) in respect of appeals under section 51, about mediation and the application of section 55;
  - (c) about the bringing of appeals or making of claims by a child and by his or her parent concurrently;
  - (d) about determining whether a child is capable of bringing an appeal or making a claim, and the assistance and support a child may require to be able to do so;
  - (e) enabling a person to exercise a child's rights under an order under subsection (1) on behalf of the child;
  - (f) enabling children to have access to advice and information which is available to a parent or young person in respect of an appeal or claim of a kind mentioned in subsection (1);
  - (g) about the provision of advocacy and other support services to children;
  - (h) requiring notices to be given to a child (as well as to his or her parent);

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- (i) requiring documents to be served on a child (as well as on his or her parent).
- (3) An order under subsection (1) may apply a statutory provision, with or without modifications.
- (4) In subsection (3), "statutory provision" means a provision made by or under this or any other Act, whenever passed or made.
- (5) This section is repealed at the end of five years beginning with the day on which this Act is passed.