

1980 No. 75 (S. 4)

HOUSING, SCOTLAND

The Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Variation Order 1980*Laid before the Commons House of Parliament in draft**Made - - - 16th January 1980**Coming into Operation 17th January 1980*

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1978(a), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, since it appears to me that after the time when the amount mentioned in section 1(2)(a) of the said Act was estimated for 1979-80 the eligible expenditure of local authorities for that year has been substantially increased by reason of changes which have taken place in the level of the matters specified in section 1(3)(b) of the said Act, and that inadequate account was taken of those changes when the amount mentioned as aforesaid was estimated, with the consent of the Treasury and after consulting with such associations of local authorities as appear to me to be concerned I hereby make the following order, a draft of which has been approved by the Commons House of Parliament:—

Title, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Variation Order 1980 and shall come into operation on 17th January 1980.

(2) In this order—

“the 1978 Act” means the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1978;

“the order of 1979” means the Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1979(b).

Aggregate grant for 1979-80

2. For the aggregate amount of housing support grants and the transitional and hostel portions thereof fixed for the year 1979-80 by articles 2 and 3 of the order of 1979 as indicated in parentheses in the second column of the following table there shall be substituted the amount and portions set out in the third column thereof:—

(a) 1978 c. 14.

(b) S.I. 1979/100.

	£	£
Aggregate amount	(151,700,000)	198,700,000
Transitional portion	(100,621,847)	131,858,272
Hostel portion	(767,230)	912,592

Apportionment of housing support grants for 1979-80

3.—(1) For paragraph (4) of article 3 of the order of 1979 there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

“(4)(a) Where the amount of housing support grant which would otherwise be apportionable in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3) above to any local authority is less than the aggregate amount of subsidies estimated by the Secretary of State as payable to that authority for the year 1978-79 under the enactments described in Part I of Schedule 1 to the 1978 Act, and where such difference between these two amounts equates to more than the higher of the actual or standard penny rate product of the authority for 1978-79 (as defined in section 9 of the Local Government (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1963(a) as read with the Local Government (Rate Product) (Scotland) Regulations 1975(b)) the amount of housing support grant shall be increased so that the difference does not exceed that penny rate product.

(b) From each such amount so apportionable to any authority which receives no such increase there shall then be made such a deduction, proportionate in each case to each such amount, as will secure that the total of such deductions is equal to the total of such increases, provided that where the sum of the said difference and the said deduction exceeds the said penny rate product, the amount of the said deduction shall be reduced so that the sum of the resultant lesser amount and the said difference equates to the said penny rate product; and where such a reduction is required the calculation prescribed in this sub-paragraph shall be repeated in relation to the authorities to whom neither sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph nor the said proviso apply so as to secure that the total of deductions which result and such deductions as are reduced by operation of the said proviso is equal to the total of the increases under sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph.”

(a) 1963 c. 12: section 9 was amended by the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (c. 65), Schedule 9, paragraph 54.

(b) S.I. 1975/652.

(2) The existing paragraph (5) of article 3 of the order of 1979 shall be deleted; and the existing paragraph (6) of the said article shall be re-numbered as paragraph (5).

(3) For the amounts of the factors fixed for the year 1979-80 by paragraph 1 of the Schedule to the order of 1979 as indicated in parentheses in the second column of the following table there shall be substituted the amounts set out in the third column thereof:—

	£	£
Item (2)	(146.492517)	159.221830
Item (3)	(146.492517)	159.221830
Item (4)	(7.792220)	8.469316
	(15.584439)	16.938633
	(23.376659)	25.407949
Item (5)	(234.319353)	225.169567
Item (6)	(9.834486)	9.450465
	(115.765357)	111.244910

George Younger
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

New St Andrew's House
Edinburgh
15th January 1980.

We consent.

Peter Morrison
J. A. Douglas-Hamilton
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

16th January 1980.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order in relation to the year 1979-80—

- (i) increases the aggregate amount of housing support grants and the portions thereof payable for that year;
- (ii) varies a provision relating to the apportionment of the grants for that year;
- (iii) alters the amounts of the factors used in the assessment of net expenditure for the apportionment of the housing support grants among local authorities for that year.

