2003 No. 1183 (C. 57)

SOCIAL SERVICES, ENGLAND

The Carers and Disabled Children Act 2000 (Commencement No. 2) (England) Order 2003

Made - - - - 29th April 2003

The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 12(2) of the Carers and Disabled Children Act 2000(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and application

- **1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Carers and Disabled Children Act 2000 (Commencement No. 2) (England) Order 2003.
 - (2) This Order applies to England only.

Appointed Day

2. The day appointed for the coming into force of the provisions of the Carers and Disabled Children Act 2002 which are not already in force is 30th April 2003.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

Jacqui Smith
Minister of State,
Department of Health

29th April 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force in England on 30th April 2003 the provisions of the Carers and Disabled Children Act 2000 ("the Act") which are not already in force in England.

In particular it brings into force section 3, which provides that regulations may be made to introduce a voucher scheme, whereby a local authority may issue vouchers which enable a carer to take a short term break, and the care he usually provides to the person cared for will be provided by someone else while the carer is away.

It also brings into force that part of section 7(1) which inserts section 17B into the Children Act 1989. Section 17B, which provides that regulations may be made to introduce a voucher scheme whereby a local authority may issue vouchers which enable a parent carer of a disabled child to take a short break, and the care he usually provides to the disabled child will be provided by someone else while the parent carer is away.

It also brings into force section 9 in so far as it relates to the provision of vouchers.

This is the second Commencement Order made under the Act.

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDER (S.I. 2001/510)

(This note is not part of the Order)

Provision	Date of Commencement
section 1	1 April 2001
section 2	1 April 2001
section 4	1 April 2001
section 5	1 April 2001
section 6	1 April 2001
section 7 (partially)	1 April 2001
section 8	1 April 2001
section 9 (partially)	1 April 2001
section 10	1 April 2001
section 11	1 April 2001



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