



Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996

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HOUSING GRANTS, CONSTRUCTION AND REGENERATION ACT 1996

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GRANTS, &C. FOR RENEWAL OF PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING

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- 11 Prior qualifying period: the ownership or tenancy condition.
- 12 Renovation grants: purposes for which grant may be given.
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- 16 Common parts grants: certificate required to accompany application.
- 17 Common parts grants: purposes for which grant may be given.
- 18 Common parts grants: approval of application.

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- 20 Disabled facilities grants: the disabled occupant.
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- 2 In section 47(4) of the Housing Act 1985 (limitation of...
 3 In section 48(3A) of the Housing Act 1985 (information as...
 4 (1) In section 100(2) of the Housing Act 1985 (power...
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 7 (1) In section 244 of the Housing Act 1985 (environmental...
 8 (1) In subsection (2)(b) of section 255 of the Housing...
 9 In section 535(1)(a) of the Housing Act 1985 (exclusion of...
 10 In section 605 of the Housing Act 1985 (consideration by...

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- 11 (1) In subsection (1) of section 20A of the Landlord...
 12 In section 21 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1985...

Housing Act 1988 (c.50)

- 13 In section 121(1) of the Housing Act 1988 (rent officers'...

Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c.42)

- 14 In section 93(5) of the Local Government and Housing Act...
 15 (1) Section 169 of the Local Government and Housing Act...

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- 1 This is the Schedule to be substituted for the First...

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- 2 (1) Section 2 of the 1931 Act (interpretation) is amended...
 3 (1) Section 3 of the 1931 Act (constitution and functions...
 4 (1) Section 6A of the 1931 Act (European qualifications) is...
 5 (1) Section 7A of the 1931 Act (removal of name...
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 10 (1) Section 15 of the 1931 Act (supply of regulations...
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- 14 (1) Section 1A of the 1938 Act (visiting EC architects)...
- 15 In section 3 of the 1938 Act (offence of practising...
- 16 In section 5 of the 1938 Act (construction and citation),...
- 17 For section 6(1) of the 1938 Act (application to Northern...

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- 18 In section 6 of the Inspection of Churches Measure 1955...
 - 19 In section 52(1) of the Cathedrals Measure 1963 (interpretation), in...
 - 20 In section 20(1) of the Care of Cathedrals Measure 1990...
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- 21 (1) Part I of the First Schedule to the 1931...

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- 22 Where before the appointed day a person has duly applied...
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- 24 Section 6B of the 1931 Act shall have effect as...
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- 26 Where before the appointed day— (a) the Discipline Committee has...
- 27 (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), the provisions substituted by section...

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- 28 (1) Where a person's name has been removed from the...
- 29 A person may appeal under section 9 of the 1931...
- 30 Section 1A(6)(b) of the 1938 Act shall have effect as...

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- 32 The repeal made in section 3 of the 1938 Act...

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- 33 If the transfer of the assets of the Fund takes...

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- 34 (1) In this Part of this Schedule—
- 35 Nothing in this Schedule prejudices the operation of section 16...

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 55(4)(c) and word omitted by [2022 c. 6 Sch. 1 para. 20](#)
- s. 138(3) repealed by [2002 c. 9 Sch. 13](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S. 138 already repealed (19.7.2003) by S.I. 2002/1860, arts. 1(3), 11(1), 15, Sch. 3 para. 36, Sch. 6 (with art. 11(2)))