



Education and Inspections Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 40

PART 1

EDUCATION FUNCTIONS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES

1 Duties in relation to high standards and the fulfilment of potential

For section 13A of EA 1996 substitute—

“13A Duty to promote high standards and the fulfilment of potential

- (1) A [F1local authority] shall ensure that their functions relating to the provision of education to which this section applies are (so far as they are capable of being so exercised) exercised by the authority with a view to—
- (a) promoting high standards,
 - (b) in the case of a [F1local authority] in England, ensuring fair access to educational opportunity, and
 - (c) promoting the fulfilment by every child concerned of his educational potential.
- (2) This section applies to education for—
- (a) children of compulsory school age (whether at school or otherwise); and
 - (b) children under or over that age who are registered as pupils at schools maintained by the authority,
- and in subsection (1) “functions” means functions of whatever nature.
- (3) In this section “child” means a person under the age of 20.”

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Pts. 1-7 substituted (5.5.2010) by [The Local Education Authorities and Children’s Services Authorities \(Integration of Functions\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/1158\)](#), art. 1, [Sch. 2 para. 14\(2\)](#)

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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 1 in force at 25.5.2007 for E. by [S.I. 2007/935](#), **art. 6(a)**
- I2** S. 1 in force at 30.6.2008 for W. by [S.I. 2008/1429](#), **art. 3(1)**, **Sch. Pt. 1**

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SI 2006/2990 art. 4 by [S.I. 2008/54 art. 2](#)
- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SI 2007/935 art. 7(n) by [S.I. 2007/1271 art. 4](#)
- specified provision(s) transitional provisions for earlier commencing SI 2007/935 by [S.I. 2007/1271 art. 5](#)

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. 11A inserted by [2010 c. 26 s. 7](#)
- s. 88(A1) inserted by [2015 c. 20 Sch. 16 para. 1\(2\)](#)
- s. 93A inserted by [2009 c. 22 s. 246](#)
- s. 93A(7) words inserted by [S.I. 2016/413 reg. 235](#) (This amendment comes into force on the day that section 93A of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 (c. 40) comes into force. That provision is still prospective)
- s. 162(5A)(aa) inserted by [2010 nawm 1 Sch. 1 para. 20\(a\)](#)