



Housing (Scotland) Act 2001

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PART 1

HOMELESSNESS AND ALLOCATION OF HOUSING

6 Duty of registered social landlord: further provision

- (1) Where—
- (a) a registered social landlord does not, within a reasonable period, comply with a request made by a local authority under section 5,
 - (b) the local authority considers, having regard to any guidance issued under subsection (7) of that section, that the landlord had no good reason for not complying with the request, and
 - (c) the local authority and the landlord are unable, within such period as the Scottish Ministers may specify by order, to reach agreement as to whether there is such a good reason,
- the local authority and the landlord must appoint an arbiter to determine the issue.
- (2) In determining for the purposes of subsection (1)(a) what is a reasonable period, regard must be had to any guidance issued under section 5(7).
- (3) If there is no agreement as to who is to be appointed as arbiter, the Scottish Ministers must, on the request of the local authority, appoint an arbiter.
- (4) The cost of any arbitration under this section is to be shared equally between the local authority and the landlord unless the arbiter determines otherwise.
- (5) The Scottish Ministers may issue guidance as to—
- (a) the period within which an arbiter is to be appointed under subsection (1),
 - (b) the procedure for appointing an arbiter under that subsection,
 - (c) the remuneration and other expenses which may be paid to an arbiter appointed under subsection (1) or (3), and any other expenses which may be paid in respect of arbitration,
 - (d) the procedure to be followed at arbitration,
 - (e) the maximum length of time of the arbitration procedure.
- (6) Any determination of an arbiter by virtue of this section is final.

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Commencement Information

- II** Ss. 5-7 wholly in force at 30.9.2002, see s. 113(1)(2) and S.S.I. 2002/321, **art. 2** (subject to transitional provisions and savings in **arts. 3-5**)

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 5(5A) inserted by [2003 asp 10 s. 5\(4\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 5 omitted (31.12.2012) without ever being in force by virtue of S.S.I. 2012/330, arts. 1, 13)
- s. 14(1)(a) words renumbered as s. 14(1)(a) by [2021 asp 16 s. 22\(2\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 14(1)(b) inserted by [2021 asp 16 s. 22\(2\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 14(1A)(1B) inserted by [2021 asp 16 s. 22\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 14(5C)-(5E) inserted by [2021 asp 16 s. 22\(2\)\(e\)](#)
- s. 16(2)(d)(e) inserted by [2021 asp 16 s. 22\(3\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 16(3ZA)(3ZB) inserted by [2021 asp 16 s. 22\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 16(5C) inserted by [2021 asp 16 s. 22\(3\)\(e\)](#)
- s. 16(7)-(10) inserted by [2021 asp 16 s. 22\(3\)\(f\)](#)
- s. 34(7A)-(7C) inserted by [2003 asp 10 s. 6\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 6 omitted (31.12.2012) without ever being in force by virtue of S.S.I. 2012/330, arts. 1, 13)
- s. 34(8)(b) and words inserted by [2003 asp 10 s. 6\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 6 omitted (31.12.2012) without ever being in force by virtue of S.S.I. 2012/330, arts. 1, 13)
- s. 89(12) inserted by [2019 asp 10 s. 18\(3\)](#)
- sch. 2 para. 15A inserted by [2021 asp 16 s. 22\(4\)](#)
- sch. 6 para. 5A and cross-heading inserted by [2003 asp 10 s. 5\(5\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 5 omitted (31.12.2012) without ever being in force by virtue of S.S.I. 2012/330, arts. 1, 13)