



Parliamentary Pensions etc. Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 52

*Grants to persons ceasing to be office-holders or
Representatives to the Assembly of the European Communities*

13 Grants to persons ceasing to hold certain Ministerial and other offices

- (1) Where a person who has not attained the age of 65 ceases at any time after the passing of this Act (" the material time ") to hold a relevant office, he shall be entitled to a payment under this section if—
 - (a) he has not been a Member of the House of Commons at any time during the period of two years ending at the material time ;
 - (b) he was throughout that period the holder of a relevant office (whether the same office or a succession of different offices); and
 - (c) he does not again become the holder of a relevant office within the period of three weeks beginning at the material time.
- (2) The amount of the payment to which a person who has ceased to hold a relevant office is entitled under this section is the amount equal to one-quarter of the annual amount of the salary which was being paid to that person in respect of that office immediately before the material time.
- (3) A payment under this section shall not be made until the end of the period mentioned in subsection (1)(c) above.
- (4) No payment shall be made under this section where a person has ceased to hold a relevant office on his death.
- (5) Where a person has at any time (whether before or after the passing of this Act) ceased to hold a relevant office but has again become the holder of such an office within the period of three weeks beginning at that time, then, on any subsequent occasion on which he ceases to hold a relevant office, the fact that he was not the holder of such an office for any part of that period of three weeks shall be disregarded for the purpose of—
 - (a) calculating the period of two years mentioned in sub section (1)(a) and (b) above ; and

Age	Number of years of service						
	Under 10	10	11	12	13	14	15 or over
50	50	50	52	54	56	58	60
51	50	52	55	58	62	65	68
52	50	54	58	63	67	72	76
53	50	56	62	67	73	78	84
54	50	58	65	72	78	85	92
55 or over	50	60	68	76	84	92	100

- (3) In calculating for the purposes of subsection (2) the number of years for which a person has served as a Representative before the end of the period in question, there shall be disregarded—
- (a) any fraction of a year for which he has so served; and
 - (b) if he has become entitled to a grant under this section on any previous occasion, any period of service which for those purposes was on that occasion either taken into account or disregarded under paragraph (a).
- (4) In relation to the five-year period ending in 1984, subsection (1) shall have effect as if the words ' unless he attained the age of 65 before the end of that period' were omitted.
- (5) In this section ' five-year period' means a period of five years for which representatives have been elected to the Assembly; but if any such period is extended or curtailed, the references in this section to the end of that period shall be construed accordingly.

3A Power to amend section 3.

- (1) If it appears to the Secretary of State that the effect, at any time, of section 3 in relation to persons ceasing to be Representatives is not or was not equivalent to the effect, at that time, of the arrangements made pursuant to any resolution or combination of resolutions of the House of Commons for the payment of grants to persons ceasing to be Members on a dissolution of Parliament, he may by order amend that section for the purpose of making its effect in relation to persons ceasing to be Representatives as nearly so equivalent as he considers practicable.
- (2) An order under this section—
- (a) may provide for the order to be deemed to have come into force on a date before the date on which it is made, but
 - (b) shall not reduce the amount of, or cancel any entitlement to, any grant under section 3 to which a person has become entitled before the date on which the order is made.
- (3) The power to amend section 3 conferred by this section includes power to make new provision in place of that section, whether by substituting one or more new sections or otherwise; and references in this section to that section shall

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accordingly include any provisions for the time being having effect in place of it by virtue of an order under this section.”.