



Housing Act 1985

1985 CHAPTER 68

PART II

PROVISION OF HOUSING ACCOMMODATION

Restriction on service charges

[^{F1}50] Offences.

- (1) If a person fails without reasonable excuse to perform a duty imposed on him by section 48 . . . ^{F2} (provision of information, &c.), he commits a summary offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply where the payee is—
a local authority ^{F3} . . . ,
a [^{F4}development] corporation, ^{F5} . . .
[^{F6}or
the Welsh Ministers]]
^{F5} . . .

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 45, 47, 48, 50, 51 repealed in relation to dwellings let on long leases by [Landlord and Tenant Act 1987 \(c. 31, SIF 75:1\), s. 41\(2\)](#)
- F2** Words repealed by [Landlord and Tenant Act 1987 \(c. 31, SIF 75:1\), s. 61\(1\)\(2\), Sch. 4 para. 6, Sch. 5](#)
- F3** Word in s. 50(2) repealed (1.12.2008) by [The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(Consequential Provisions\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/3002\), arts. 4, 6, Sch. 1 para. 7\(a\), Sch. 3 \(with Sch. 2\); S.I. 2008/3068, arts. 1\(2\), 2\(1\)\(b\) \(with arts. 6-13\)](#)
- F4** Words in s. 50(2) substituted (1.12.2008) by [The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(Consequential Provisions\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/3002\), arts. 4, 6, Sch. 1 para. 7\(b\) \(with Sch. 2\); S.I. 2008/3068, arts. 1\(2\), 2\(1\)\(b\) \(with arts. 6-13\)](#)

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- F5** Words in [s. 50\(2\)](#) repealed (1.10.1998) by [1998 c. 38, s. 152, Sch. 18 Pt. IV](#) (with ss. 137(1), 139(2), 141(1), 143(2)); [S.I. 1998/2244, art. 4](#)
- F6** Words in [s. 50\(2\)](#) inserted (1.12.2008) by [The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(Consequential Provisions\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/3002\)](#), arts. 4, 6, [Sch. 1 para. 7\(c\)](#) (with [Sch. 2](#)); [S.I. 2008/3068, arts. 1\(2\), 2\(1\)\(b\)](#) (with arts. 6-13)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** [S. 47, 48, 50, 51, Pt. IV](#)(ss. 79–117) amended by [Local Government Act 1985 \(c. 51, SIF 81:1\)](#), s. 57(7), [Sch. 13 paras. 22](#) and 23 as substituted by [Housing \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1985 \(c. 71, SIF 61\)](#), s. 4, [Sch. 2 para. 61](#)
- C2** [Ss. 45-51](#) extended (5.7.1994) by [1994 c. 19, s. 39, Sch. 13 para. 21\(b\)](#) (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2))
- C3** [Ss. 45-51](#) modified (1.4.1995) by [S.I. 1995/401, art. 18, Sch. para. 8\(b\)](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) savings for amendments by 2018 anaw 1, s. 6, Sch. 6 by [S.I. 2019/110 reg. 5](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act savings and transitional provisions for amendments by S.I. 2022/1166 by [S.I. 2022/1172](#) Regulations

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

- s. 81A-81D and cross-heading inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 4](#) (This provision is amended by 2021 c. 7, ss. 79(3), 90(6); S.I 2021/1038, reg. 3(c))
- s. 81B(1)(b) words inserted by [2018 c. 11 s. 1\(3\)](#)
- s. 81B(2A)-(2C) inserted by [2018 c. 11 s. 1\(2\)](#)
- s. 81B(2C) words substituted by [2021 c. 17 s. 79\(3\)\(a\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The insertion of s. 81B by 2016 c. 22, Sch. 7 para. 4 is still prospective)
- s. 81B(2C) words substituted by [2021 c. 17 s. 79\(3\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The insertion of s. 81B by 2016 c. 22, Sch. 7 para. 4 is still prospective)
- s. 81B(2D) inserted by [2021 c. 17 s. 79\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The insertion of s. 81B by 2016 c. 22, Sch. 7 para. 4 is still prospective)
- s. 82(A1)(A2) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 119\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 82A(4A)(4B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 7\(2\)](#)
- s. 86(1A)(1B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 10\(3\)](#)
- s. 86(1C) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 2](#)
- s. 86A-86F and cross-headings inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 11](#)
- s. 86G s. 86A renumbered as s. 86G by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 3\(1\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 86G(8) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 3\(2\)](#)
- s. 88(1)(ba) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 4](#)
- s. 89(2A)-(2D) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 5\(3\)](#)
- s. 97(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 12\(3\)](#)
- s. 99A(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 13\(3\)](#)
- s. 115B115C inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 15](#)
- s. 115B115C inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 15](#)
- s. 305(1A) inserted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 68\(b\)](#)
- s. 306(1A) inserted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 69\(b\)](#)
- s. 353A inserted by [1996 c. 52 s. 73\(1\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 73 repealed (6.4.2006 for E., 16.6.2006 for W.) by 2004 c. 34, Sch. 16; S.I. 2006/1060, art. 2(1)(e), Sch.; S.I. 2006/1535, art. 2(c), Sch.)
- s. 582(6)(aa)-(ac) substituted for s. 582(6)(a) by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 18 para. 4\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 1ZA and cross-heading inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 17\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 5A para. 3(3)(aa) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 18 para. 4\(3\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 5A para. 3(6A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 18 para. 4\(3\)\(d\)](#)