



Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986

1986 CHAPTER 14

Miscellaneous and supplementary

[^{F1}20B Alternative strategies

- (1) The Secretary of State must support the development and validation of alternative strategies.
- (2) In particular, the Secretary of State must—
 - ^{F2}(a)
 - ^{F2}(b)
 - (c) take such ^{F3}... steps as the Secretary of State considers appropriate to encourage research into alternative strategies;
 - (d) ensure the promotion of, and dissemination of information about, alternative strategies.
- (3) The Secretary of State may make grants to any person concerned with the development, promotion or validation of alternative strategies.
- (4) “Alternative strategies” means scientific methods and testing strategies which do not use protected animals, or which (compared to existing scientific methods and testing strategies) use fewer protected animals or reduce the pain, suffering, distress or lasting harm caused to protected animals.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 20B inserted (1.1.2013) by [The Animals \(Scientific Procedures\) Act 1986 Amendment Regulations 2012 \(S.I. 2012/3039\)](#), regs. 1(2), **22** (with Sch. 3)
- F2** S. 20B(2)(a)(b) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Animals \(Scientific Procedures\) Act 1986 \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/72\)](#), regs. 1, **2(4)(a)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F3** Word in s. 20B(2)(c) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Animals \(Scientific Procedures\) Act 1986 \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/72\)](#), regs. 1, **2(4)(b)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the *Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986*, Section 20B.