



Broadcasting Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 55

PART III

AMENDMENTS OF THE BROADCASTING ACT 1990

Sound broadcasting

96 Power of Radio Authority to suspend licence to provide satellite service

After section 111A of the 1990 Act there is inserted—

“111B Power to suspend licence to provide satellite service

- (1) If the Authority are satisfied—
- (a) that the holder of a licence to provide a satellite service has included in the service one or more programmes containing material likely to encourage or incite to crime or to lead to disorder,
 - (b) that he has thereby failed to comply with the condition included in the licence in pursuance of section 90(1)(a), and
 - (c) that the failure is such as to justify the revocation of the licence,
- they shall serve on the holder of the licence a notice under subsection (2).
- (2) A notice under this subsection is a notice—
- (a) stating that the Authority are satisfied as mentioned in subsection (1),
 - (b) specifying the respects in which, in their opinion, the licence holder has failed to comply with the condition mentioned in paragraph (b) of that subsection,
 - (c) stating that the Authority may revoke his licence after the end of the period of twenty-one days beginning with the date on which the notice is served on the licence holder,
 - (d) informing the licence holder of his right to make representations to the Authority within that period about the matters complained of, and

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- (e) suspending the licence as from the time when the notice is served on the licence holder until the revocation takes effect or the Authority decide not to revoke the licence.
- (3) If the Authority, having considered any representations about the matters complained of made to them within the period referred to in subsection (2)(c) by the licence holder, are satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest to revoke the licence in question, they shall serve on the licence holder a notice revoking the licence.
- (4) A notice under subsection (3) shall not take effect until the end of the period of twenty-eight days beginning with the day on which that notice was served on the licence holder.
- (5) Section 111 shall not have effect in relation to the revocation of a licence in pursuance of a notice under subsection (1).”