



Transport Act 2000

2000 CHAPTER 38

PART II

LOCAL TRANSPORT

Financial and competition provisions

152 Agreements providing for service subsidies.

- (1) Part V of the ^{M1}Transport Act 1985 (expenditure on public passenger transport services) is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 89 (obligation to invite tenders for subsidised services), for subsections (7) and (8) substitute—
 - “(7) An authority issuing an invitation to tender under this section shall, in determining whether to accept a tender submitted in response to the invitation or which (if any) of several such tenders to accept, have regard in particular to—
 - (a) a combination of economy, efficiency and effectiveness;
 - (b) the implementation of the policies set out in the appropriate bus strategy; and
 - (c) the reduction or limitation of traffic congestion, noise or air pollution.
 - (8) In subsection (7)(b) above “the appropriate bus strategy” means—
 - (a) in the case of a local transport authority (within the meaning of section 108(4) of the Transport Act 2000), their bus strategy;
 - (b) in the case of a district council which is not such an authority, the bus strategy of the council for the county in which the district is situated; and
 - (c) in the case of a Passenger Transport Executive for a passenger transport area, the bus strategy made jointly by the Passenger Transport Authority for the area and the councils for the metropolitan districts comprised in the area.”

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- (3) In section 90(3) (duty of authority to publish reasons for considering that payment of subsidies to secure service in accordance with accepted tender is conducive to achieving most effective and economic application of funds), for the words from “is conducive” to the end substitute “ accords with section 89(7) of this Act. ”
- (4) In section 92(1) (authorities subsidising public passenger transport services not to inhibit competition between persons providing or seeking to provide such services in their area), for the words from “so conduct” to the end substitute “ have regard to the interests of the public and of persons providing public passenger transport services in their area. ”

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 2: functions made exercisable (28.2.2024) by [The East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/232\)](#), regs. 1(2), **15(1)**
- C2** Pt. 2: functions made exercisable (20.12.2023) by [The York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/1432\)](#), arts. 1(2), **13(1)(2)**
- C3** Ss. 152-162: functions transferred (28.2.2024) by [The East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/232\)](#), regs. 1(2), **15(2)**

Commencement Information

- II** S. 152 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 152 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 152 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 152 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1 para. 7**

Marginal Citations

- M1** [1985 c. 67](#).

[^{F1}153 Competition test: functions and agreements relating to buses

- (1) Schedule 10 contains provision applying competition tests in relation to—
- (a) the exercise of functions relating to [^{F2}advanced quality partnership schemes,] quality partnership schemes, [^{F3}advanced ticketing schemes,] ticketing schemes [^{F4}, enhanced partnership schemes] and subsidised local services,
 - (b) voluntary partnership agreements and certain other agreements, decisions and practices relating to bus services.
- (2) A voluntary partnership agreement is any voluntary agreement under which—
- (a) a local transport authority, or two or more local transport authorities, undertake to provide particular facilities, or to do anything else for the purpose of bringing benefits to persons using local services, within the whole or part of their area, or combined area, and
 - (b) one or more operators of local services undertake to provide services of a particular standard.
- (3) In subsection (2)—
- “facilities” means—
- (a) facilities provided at specific locations along routes served, or proposed to be served, by local services within the area to which the agreement relates, or
 - (b) facilities which are ancillary to such facilities;

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“standard”, in the case of any services, includes—

- (a) any requirements which the vehicles being used to provide the services must meet,
- (b) any requirements as to frequency or timing of the services,
- (c) any requirements as to the maximum fares that may be charged for particular journeys, or for journeys of particular descriptions, on services to which the agreement applies;

“voluntary agreement” means an agreement made otherwise than under [F5sections 113C to 113O (advanced quality partnership schemes), or under] sections 114 to 123 (quality partnership schemes).]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 153 substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 46\(1\), 134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(d\)](#)
- F2** Words in [s. 153\(1\)\(a\)](#) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 1 para. 8\(2\)](#)
- F3** Words in [s. 153\(1\)\(a\)](#) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 3 para. 5](#)
- F4** Words in [s. 153\(1\)\(a\)](#) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 5](#)
- F5** Words in [s. 153\(3\)](#) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 1 para. 8\(3\)](#)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C3** [Ss. 152-162](#): functions transferred (28.2.2024) by [The East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/232\)](#), [regs. 1\(2\), 15\(2\)](#)

Commencement Information

- I2** S. 153 partly in force; s. 153 not in force at Royal Assent see [s. 275\(1\)\(2\)](#); s. 153 in force for specified purposes (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), [art. 3\(2\)](#), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 153 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1 para. 8](#); s. 153 in force in so far as it is not already in force (E.) at 26.10.2001 by [S.I. 2001/3342](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch.](#)

154 Grants to bus service operators.

- (1) The Secretary of State with the approval of the Treasury (as respects England) or the National Assembly for Wales (as respects Wales) may make grants to operators of eligible bus services towards their costs in operating those services.
- (2) The Secretary of State with the approval of the Treasury (as respects England) or the National Assembly for Wales (as respects Wales) may make provision by regulations as to the method of calculation of grants.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of any such regulations, grants under this section shall be of such amount and subject to such conditions (including conditions requiring their repayment in specified circumstances) as may be determined by—
 - (a) the Secretary of State with the approval of the Treasury (as respects England),
or
 - (b) the National Assembly for Wales (as respects Wales).

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- (4) A determination under subsection (3) may be made either generally or in relation to particular cases or classes of case.
- (5) In this section “eligible bus services” means bus services of a class (or using vehicles of a class) prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State (as respects England) or the National Assembly for Wales (as respects Wales).
- (6) Section 92 of the ^{M2}Finance Act 1965 (grants towards duty charged on bus fuel) and section 111 of the ^{M3}Transport Act 1985 (unregistered and unreliable local services: reduction of fuel duty grant) cease to have effect.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C3** Ss. 152-162: functions transferred (28.2.2024) by [The East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/232\)](#), regs. 1(2), **15(2)**
- C4** S. 154(1): functions made exercisable (with modifications) (20.12.2023) by [The York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/1432\)](#), arts. 1(2), **16**
- C5** S. 154(1): functions made exercisable concurrently (with modifications) (28.2.2024) by [The East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/232\)](#), regs. 1(2), **19**

Commencement Information

- I3** S. 154 wholly in force at 14.8.2002; s. 154 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 154(1)-(5) in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 154(1)-(5) in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1 para. 9**; s. 154(6) in force (E.) at 1.5.2002 by [S.I. 2002/1014](#), art. 2, **Sch. Pt. 1** (with transitional provisions in art. 3); s. 154(6) in force (W.) at 14.8.2002 by [S.I. 2002/2024](#), art. 2(a)

Marginal Citations

- M2** 1965 c. 25.
M3 1985 c. 67.

155 [F6Sanctions]

- (1) Where [F7a traffic commissioner] is satisfied that the operator of a local service has, without reasonable excuse—
- (a) failed to operate a local service registered under section 6 of the ^{M4}Transport Act 1985,
- [F8(aa) failed to comply with the requirements of regulations made under section 6(9) (i), (j) or (k) of that Act,]
- [F9(ab) failed to comply with a requirement to provide information imposed by virtue of section 6C of that Act,]
- (b) operated a local service in contravention of that section or section [F10113J(4) or (5),] 118(4) [F11, 129(1)(b) or 138J(9)] of this Act,
- [F12(ba) failed to comply with a requirement imposed by virtue of section [F13123X(7) (c),] 134B(7)(c) [F14or 138S(7)(c)] of this Act, or]
- (c) failed to comply with section [F15134F,] 138 or 140(3) of this Act, [F16 or with regulations under section 141A of this Act]
- he may [F17make one or more orders under subsection (1A)].

[F18(1ZA) Where a traffic commissioner is satisfied that—

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- (a) a person has operated a local service in contravention of section 123J(3) of this Act, and
- (b) in operating the local service, the person has failed to take all reasonable precautions and to exercise all due diligence to avoid contravening section 123J(3) of this Act,

the traffic commissioner may make one or more orders under subsection (1A)(a) or (d).]

[^{F19}(1ZB) Where a traffic commissioner is satisfied that—

- (a) a person has operated a local service in contravention of section 138J(9) of this Act, and
- (b) in operating the local service, the person has failed to take all reasonable precautions and to exercise all due diligence to avoid contravening section 138J(9) of this Act,

the traffic commissioner may make one or more orders under subsection (1A)(a) or (d).]

[^{F20}(1ZC) Where a traffic commissioner is satisfied that the operator of a local service has failed to take all reasonable steps to comply with a requirement imposed under section 143A of this Act, the traffic commissioner may make one or more orders under subsection (1A)(a) or (d).]

[^{F21}(1ZD) Where a traffic commissioner is satisfied that the operator of a local service has failed to take all reasonable steps to comply with a requirement imposed under section 143B the traffic commissioner may make one or more orders under subsection (1A)(a) or (d).]

[^{F22}(1ZE) Where a traffic commissioner is satisfied that the operator of a local service has, without reasonable excuse, failed to comply with a requirement of regulations made under section 181A of the Equality Act 2010, the traffic commissioner may make one or more orders under subsection (1A)(a) or (d).]

[^{F23}(1A) The orders are—

- (a) an order that the operator pay a penalty of such amount as is determined in accordance with subsection (3);
- (b) an order that the operator expend such sum of money as is determined in accordance with subsection (3) in the manner mentioned in subsection (1B);
- (c) an order that the operator provide compensation (see subsection (1C)) to passengers of such description as is specified in the order;
- (d) an order of such other description as the Secretary of State (as respects England) or the Welsh Ministers (as respects Wales) may by order prescribe for the purposes of this paragraph.

(1B) An order under subsection (1A)(b) may require the operator to expend money on or towards—

- (a) the provision of specified local services or specified facilities to be used in connection with such services;
- (b) specified improvements in such services or facilities.

In this subsection “specified” means specified in the order.

(1C) Compensation under subsection (1A)(c)—

- (a) may take the form of payments of money, or

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(b) may take such other form (including the provision of free travel or travel at a reduced price) as is specified in the order;
and shall be of such amount, or equivalent in value to such amount, as is determined in accordance with subsection (3).]

^{F24}(2)

(3) [^{F25}The amount mentioned in subsections (1A)(a) and (b) and (1C) is such amount as the traffic commissioner thinks fit in all the circumstances of the case, but must not exceed] —

(a) £550, or

(b) such other amount as the Secretary of State (as respects England) or the National Assembly for Wales (as respects Wales) may by order specify,

multiplied by the total number of vehicles which the operator is licensed to use under all the PSV operator's licences held by him.

^{F26}(4)

(5) After [^{F27}making an order under subsection (1A)] , the traffic commissioner must at once give notice in writing to—

(a) the Secretary of State (as respects England) or the National Assembly for Wales (as respects Wales), and

(b) the operator.

(6) The operator may appeal to the [^{F28}Upper Tribunal] against [^{F29}the making of the order].

^{F30}(6A) If the operator fails to comply with an order under subsection (1A)(b), (c) or (d), the traffic commissioner may order the operator to pay a penalty of such amount as is determined in accordance with subsection (6B).

(6B) That amount is such amount as the traffic commissioner thinks fit in all the circumstances of the case, but must not exceed 110% of the maximum amount which may be ordered in accordance with subsection (3).]

^{F31}(7) An amount ordered to be paid under subsection (1A)(a) or (6A) is—

(a) payable to the Secretary of State (as respects England) or the Welsh Ministers (as respects Wales), and

(b) recoverable as a civil debt.]

^{F32}(8) Other provisions that may need to be considered include the following provisions of the Transport Act 1985—

(a) sections 26 and 27 (attachment of conditions to PSV operator's licence),

(b) sections 27A and 27B (additional powers of traffic commissioner where services are not operated as registered etc).]

Textual Amendments

F6 S. 155 heading substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 64\(11\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 4](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(e\)](#) (with [Sch. para. 2](#))

F7 Words in s. 155(1) substituted (3.7.2013) by [The Local Transport Act 2008 \(Traffic Commissioners\) \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/1644\)](#), [art. 1\(1\)](#), [Sch. 3](#) (with [art. 7](#))

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- F8** S. 155(1)(aa) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 65\(1\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(f\)](#)
- F9** S. 155(1)(ab) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [ss. 19\(2\)](#), [26\(3\)](#)
- F10** Words in s. 155(1)(b) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 1 para. 9](#)
- F11** Words in s. 155(1)(b) substituted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 6\(2\)](#)
- F12** S. 155(1)(ba) substituted for word in s. 155(1)(b) (11.1.2010 for E.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 44\(3\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/3242](#), [art. 2\(1\)\(a\)](#)
- F13** Word in s. 155(1)(ba) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 2 para. 21\(2\)](#)
- F14** Words in s. 155(1)(ba) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 6\(3\)](#)
- F15** Word in s. 155(1)(c) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 3 para. 6](#)
- F16** Words in s. 155(1)(c) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [ss. 18\(2\)](#), [26\(3\)](#)
- F17** Words in s. 155(1) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 64\(2\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 4](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(e\)](#) (with [Sch. para. 2](#))
- F18** S. 155(1ZA) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 2 para. 21\(3\)](#)
- F19** S. 155(1ZB) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 6\(4\)](#)
- F20** S. 155(1ZC) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 2 para. 21\(4\)](#)
- F21** S. 155(1ZD) inserted (27.4.2017 for specified purposes, 27.6.2017 in so far as not already in force) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [s. 26\(3\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 6\(5\)](#)
- F22** S. 155(1ZE) inserted (26.6.2018) by [Bus Services Act 2017 \(c. 21\)](#), [ss. 17\(5\)](#), [26\(2\)](#); [S.I. 2018/758](#), [reg. 2](#)
- F23** S. 155(1A)-(1C) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 64\(3\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 4](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(e\)](#) (with [Sch. para. 2](#))
- F24** S. 155(2) repealed (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 64\(4\)](#), [134\(4\)](#), [Sch. 7 Pt. 3](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 4](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(e\)](#) (with [Sch. para. 2](#))
- F25** Words in s. 155(3) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 64\(5\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 4](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(e\)](#) (with [Sch. para. 2](#))
- F26** S. 155(4) repealed (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 64\(6\)](#), [134\(4\)](#), [Sch. 7 Pt. 3](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 4](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(e\)](#) (with [Sch. para. 2](#))
- F27** Words in s. 155(5) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 64\(7\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 4](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(e\)](#) (with [Sch. para. 2](#))
- F28** Words in s. 155(6) substituted (1.9.2009) by [The Transfer of Functions \(Transport Tribunal and Appeal Panel\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/1885\)](#), [art. 1\(1\)](#), [Sch. 1 para. 26](#)
- F29** Words in s. 155(6) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 64\(8\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 4](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(e\)](#) (with [Sch. para. 2](#))

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- F30** S. 155(6A)(6B) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 64(9)**, 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 2 para. 4); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(e) (with Sch. para. 2)
- F31** S. 155(7) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 64(10)**, 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 2 para. 4); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(e) (with Sch. para. 2)
- F32** S. 155(8) inserted (9.2.2009) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 63(2)**, 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 1 para. 2(2))

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- C3** Ss. 152-162: functions transferred (28.2.2024) by [The East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/232\)](#), regs. 1(2), **15(2)**
- C6** S. 155: transfer of functions (1.9.2009) by [The Transfer of Functions \(Transport Tribunal and Appeal Panel\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/1885\)](#), **arts. 1(1)**, 2(3)

Commencement Information

- I4** S. 155 wholly in force at 1.5.2002; s. 155 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 155 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1 para. 10**; s. 155 in force (E.) at 1.5.2002 by [S.I. 2002/1014](#), art. 2, **Sch. Pt. 1** (with transitional provisions in art. 3)

Marginal Citations

- M4** 1985 c. 67.

^{F33}156 Non-metropolitan transport grants.

Textual Amendments

- F33** S. 156 repealed (9.2.2009) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), **Sch. 7 Pt. 4**; S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 Pt. 1

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C3** Ss. 152-162: functions transferred (28.2.2024) by [The East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/232\)](#), regs. 1(2), **15(2)**

157 [^{F34}**Grants to Integrated Transport Authorities**][^{F35}, **combined authorities and combined county authorities**]

(1) The Secretary of State may, with the approval of the Treasury, make grants to [^{F36}the Integrated Transport Authority for an integrated transport area] in England for the purpose of enabling the Authority, or the Passenger Transport Executive for the area, to carry out any of their functions.

[^{F37}(1A) The Secretary of State may, with the approval of the Treasury, make grants to a combined authority for the purpose of enabling the authority to carry out any of their functions.]

[^{F38}(1B) The Secretary of State may, with the approval of the Treasury, make grants to a combined county authority for the purpose of enabling the authority to carry out any of their functions.]

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- (2) Grants under this section shall be of such amount and subject to such conditions (including conditions requiring their repayment in specified circumstances) as the Secretary of State may, with the approval of the Treasury, determine.
- (3) A determination under subsection (2) may be made either generally or in relation to particular cases or classes of case.

Textual Amendments

- F34** S. 157 heading substituted (9.2.2009) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), s. 134(4), **Sch. 4 para. 45(2)**; S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 Pt. 1
- F35** Words in s. 157 heading substituted (26.12.2023) by Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 (c. 55), s. 255(2)(c), **Sch. 4 para. 133(2)** (with s. 247)
- F36** Words in s. 157(1) substituted (9.2.2009) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), s. 134(4), **Sch. 4 para. 45(1)**; S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 Pt. 1
- F37** S. 157(1A) inserted (17.12.2009) by Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20), s. 148(6), **Sch. 6 para. 100(2)**; S.I. 2009/3318, art. 2(c)
- F38** S. 157(1B) inserted (26.12.2023) by Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 (c. 55), s. 255(2)(c), **Sch. 4 para. 133(3)** (with s. 247)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C3** Ss. 152-162: functions transferred (28.2.2024) by The East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 (S.I. 2024/232), regs. 1(2), **15(2)**

Commencement Information

- I5** S. 157 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 157 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 157 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by S.I. 2001/57, art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in **Sch. 3 Pt. II**); s. 157 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by S.I. 2001/2788, art. 2, **Sch. 1 para. 10**

158 Repayment of grants towards bus fuel duty.

- (1) Section 111 of the ^{M5}Transport Act 1985 (unregistered and unreliable local services: requirement to repay twenty per cent. of bus fuel duty grants) is amended as follows (until it ceases to have effect as a result of section 154(6)).
- (2) For subsections (2) to (4) substitute—
 - “(2) If any amount has been paid to the operator by way of grant under section 92 of the ^{M6}Finance Act 1965 (grants towards duty charged on bus fuel) in respect of any services operated during the period of three months ending with the day on which the determination under subsection (1) above is made, there is due from the operator—
 - (a) to the Secretary of State (as respects England); or
 - (b) to the National Assembly for Wales (as respects Wales),such percentage of that amount as the traffic commissioner thinks fit in all the circumstances of the case.
 - (3) The percentage determined shall be at least one per cent. but not more than twenty per cent.
 - (4) A traffic commissioner who makes a determination under this section shall at once give notice in writing to—

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(a) the Secretary of State (as respects England) or the National Assembly for Wales (as respects Wales); and

(b) the operator;

and the operator may appeal to the Transport Tribunal against the determination.”

(3) In subsection (5), omit—

(a) “to the Secretary of State”, and

(b) the words from “and any amount” to the end.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C3 Ss. 152-162: functions transferred (28.2.2024) by [The East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/232\)](#), regs. 1(2), **15(2)**

Commencement Information

I6 S. 158 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 158 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 158 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 158 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1 para. 10**

Marginal Citations

M5 1985 c. 67.

M6 1965 c. 25.

159 Abolition of financial plans of Passenger Transport Executives.

Sections 3 to 5 of the ^{M7}Transport Act 1983 (duty of Passenger Transport Executives to prepare three-year financial plans and determination of revenue grants) shall cease to have effect.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C3 Ss. 152-162: functions transferred (28.2.2024) by [The East Midlands Combined County Authority Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/232\)](#), regs. 1(2), **15(2)**

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I7 S. 159 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 159 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 159 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 159 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1 para. 10**

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M7 1983 c. 10.

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

- Blanket amendment words substituted by [S.I. 2011/1043 art. 34](#)

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

- s. 146(1)(defn.)(a)(b) by [2000 c. 38 s. 274 Sch. 31 Pt. 2](#)
- s. 19(2)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2019/93, Sch. 1 para. 9\(1C\)\(b\)](#) (as inserted) by [S.I. 2019/1245 reg. 25](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The affecting statutory instrument has no legal effect. It was made under a procedure which meant that it ceased to have effect 28 days after signing unless it was debated and approved in Parliament within that time. It was not debated and approved within 28 days, so it has expired with no effect.)
- s. 131A(2)(a) words omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 13\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 131A(2)(b) omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 13\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 131A(4) omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 13\(b\)](#)
- s. 131A(5)(b) words omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 13\(c\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 131A(5)(c) words omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 13\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 132B(1)(a) omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 19](#)
- [Sch. 16 para. 34\(4\)\(a\)para. 34\(4\)\(b\)\(c\)](#) repealed by [2005 c. 14 Sch. 13 Pt. 1](#)