COMMONHOLD AND LEASEHOLD REFORM ACT 2002

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON THE SECTIONS: PART 1

Exercising the right

Section 103: Landlord contributions to service charges

193. Section 103 places landlords under an obligation to meet any shortfall in the costs recovered by the RTM company caused by the proportions payable by tenants under their leases failing to add up to 100 per cent of the total. Where that obligation applies, a landlord of a unit which is not held on a long lease is required to pay his proportion of the shortfall. Where there are two or more units, the proportion to be paid by an individual landlord is calculated by reference to the proportion of the total internal floor area of such units which relates to units for which he is the landlord. Where a unit is not subject to a lease, the payment must be made by the freeholder.