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SCHOOLS

CHAPTER 3

INSPECTIONS

225 Interim statements

- (1) The [Education Act 2005 \(c. 18\)](#) is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 10 insert—

“10A Interim statements between inspections

- (1) The Chief Inspector may make a statement (an “interim statement”) about a school in England to which section 5 applies.
- (2) An interim statement is a statement—
 - (a) that the Chief Inspector is of the opinion that it is not necessary for the school to be inspected under section 5 for at least a year after the date on which the statement is made,
 - (b) setting out the Chief Inspector’s reasons for forming that opinion, and
 - (c) containing such other information (if any) as the Chief Inspector considers appropriate.
- (3) The Chief Inspector may arrange for an interim statement to be published in such manner as the Chief Inspector considers appropriate.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) Section 151 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 (publication of inspection reports: privilege and electronic publication) applies in relation to an interim statement as it applies in relation to a report.”
- (3) In the italic heading before section 14 after “reports” insert “and interim statements”.
- (4) After section 14 insert—

“14A Destination of interim statements: maintained schools

- (1) The Chief Inspector must ensure that a copy of any interim statement about a maintained school is sent without delay to the appropriate authority for the school.
- (2) The Chief Inspector must ensure that copies of the statement are sent—
- (a) to the head teacher of the school,
 - (b) to whichever of the local education authority and the governing body are not the appropriate authority, and
 - (c) in the case of a school having foundation governors, to the person who appoints them and (if different) to the appropriate appointing authority.
- (3) If the school provides full-time education suitable to the requirements of pupils over compulsory school age, the Chief Inspector must ensure that a copy of the statement is also sent to the Young People’s Learning Agency for England.
- (4) The appropriate authority must—
- (a) make a copy of any statement sent to the authority under subsection (1) available for inspection by members of the public at such times and at such places as may be reasonable,
 - (b) provide one copy of the statement free of charge to any person who asks for one, and
 - (c) take such steps as are reasonably practicable to secure that every registered parent of a registered pupil at the school receives a copy of the statement within such period following receipt of the statement by the authority as may be prescribed.”
- (5) In the italic heading before section 16 after “reports” insert “and interim statements”.
- (6) After section 16 insert—

“16A Destination of interim statements: non-maintained schools

- (1) The Chief Inspector must ensure that a copy of any interim statement about a school other than a maintained school is sent without delay to the proprietor of the school.
- (2) In the case of a special school which is not a community or foundation special school, the proprietor must without delay send a copy of any interim statement sent to the proprietor under subsection (1) to any local education authority that are paying fees in respect of the attendance of a registered pupil at the school.
- (3) The proprietor of the school must—

- (a) make any statement sent to the proprietor under subsection (1) available for inspection by members of the public at such times and at such place as may be reasonable,
 - (b) provide one copy of the statement free of charge to any person who asks for one, and
 - (c) take such steps as are reasonably practicable to secure that every registered parent of a registered pupil at the school receives a copy of the statement within such period following receipt of the statement by the proprietor as may be prescribed.”
- (7) In section 18 (interpretation of Chapter) after the definition of “the Chief Inspector” insert—
- ““interim statement” means an interim statement under section 10A;”.