



# Localism Act 2011

## 2011 CHAPTER 20

### PART 7

#### HOUSING

### CHAPTER 4

#### HOUSING MOBILITY

#### **176 Standards facilitating exchange of tenancies**

- (1) In section 193 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (power for regulator to set standards for registered providers) in subsection (2) after paragraph (g) insert—  
“(ga) methods of assisting tenants to exchange tenancies.”
- (2) In section 197(2) of that Act (power of Secretary of State to give directions to regulator) after paragraph (c) insert “, or  
(d) methods of assisting tenants to exchange tenancies.”

#### **Commencement Information**

- II** S. 176 in force at 15.1.2012 by S.I. 2012/57, art. 4(1)(s) (with arts. 6, 7, arts. 9-11)

#### **177 Assisting tenants of social landlords to become home owners**

In section 122 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 (registered providers of social housing in England: restriction on gifts and distributions to members etc) after subsection (5) (the third class of permitted payments) insert—

- “(5A) Class 4 is payments which—
- (a) are in accordance with the constitution of the registered provider,
  - (b) are paid for the benefit of tenants of the provider, and

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- (c) are in any particular case paid to assist the tenant to obtain other accommodation by acquiring a freehold, or long-leasehold, interest in a dwelling.

(5B) For the purposes of subsection (5A)—

“long-leasehold interest”, in relation to a dwelling, means the lessee's interest under a lease of the dwelling granted, for a premium, for a term certain exceeding 21 years;

“acquiring”, in relation to a long-leasehold interest in a dwelling, includes acquiring by grant and acquiring by assignment.”

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

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

- s. 158(8)-(9B) substituted for s. 158(8)(9) by [2016 c. 22 s. 121\(2\)\(e\)](#)
- s. 202(3A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 176\(2\)](#)