



Localism Act 2011

2011 CHAPTER 20

PART 7

HOUSING

CHAPTER 1

ALLOCATION AND HOMELESSNESS

Allocation

145 Allocation of housing accommodation

(1) Section 159 of the Housing Act 1996 (allocation of housing accommodation) is amended as follows.

(2) After subsection (4) insert—

“(4A) Subject to subsection (4B), the provisions of this Part do not apply to an allocation of housing accommodation by a local housing authority in England to a person who is already—

- (a) a secure or introductory tenant, or
- (b) an assured tenant of housing accommodation held by a private registered provider of social housing or a registered social landlord.

(4B) The provisions of this Part apply to an allocation of housing accommodation by a local housing authority in England to a person who falls within subsection (4A)(a) or (b) if—

- (a) the allocation involves a transfer of housing accommodation for that person,
- (b) the application for the transfer is made by that person, and
- (c) the authority is satisfied that the person is to be given reasonable preference under section 166A(3).”

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- (3) In subsection (5) after “accommodation” (in the first place it occurs) insert “ by a local housing authority in Wales ”.

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 145 in force at 15.1.2012 for specified purposes by S.I. 2012/57, **art. 4(1)(j)** (with arts. 6, 7, arts. 9-11)
- I2** S. 145 in force at 18.6.2012 in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2012/1463, **art. 3**

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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\(2\)](#)