

Health and Social Care Act 2012

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PART 3

REGULATION OF HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE SERVICES

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MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

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After section 12D of the National Health Service Act 2006 insert—

"Miscellaneous

12E Secretary of State's duty as respects variation in provision of health services

- (1) The Secretary of State must not exercise the functions mentioned in subsection (2) for the purpose of causing a variation in the proportion of services provided as part of the health service that is provided by persons of a particular description if that description is by reference to—
 - (a) whether the persons in question are in the public or (as the case may be) private sector, or
 - (b) some other aspect of their status.
- (2) The functions mentioned in this subsection are the functions of the Secretary of State under—
 - (a) sections 6E and 13A, and
 - (b) section 75 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (requirements as to procurement, patient choice and competition)."