STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Local Government Changes for England (Finance) Regulations 1994

PART III

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

Local Government Finance Act 1982 Functions of designated authorities for preceding years

19.—(1) Any functions under Part III of the 1982 Act (accounts and audit) exercisable by or in relation to an abolished authority shall be exercisable as regards a preceding year on or after the reorganisation date by or in relation to the designated authority, and, in particular,—

- (a) the designated authority shall ensure that the accounts of the abolished authority are made up and balanced;
- (b) the designated authority may recover any sum or amount which would have been recoverable for the benefit of the abolished authority in accordance with section 20(1) of the 1982 Act (recovery not accounted for etc.)(1).

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), anything done by or in relation to an abolished authority in the exercise of its functions under Part III of the 1982 Act shall be treated as if it had been done by or in relation to the designated authority.

(3) A successor authority which is not a designated authority shall on or after the reorganisation date provide any information which the designated authority reasonably requires to enable the designated authority to discharge its functions under Part III of the 1982 Act by virtue of paragraph (1), and in particular—

- (a) the designated authority shall have a right of access at all reasonable times to any documents in the possession of any other successor authority which relate to the abolished authority; and
- (b) the designated authority may require any officer or member of any other successor authority, who was an officer or member of the abolished authority at any time, to provide such information or explanation as appears to the designated authority necessary.

Section 20(1) was amended by paragraph 10 of Schedule 4 to the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19).