



# Energy Act 2023

## 2023 CHAPTER 52

### PART 7

#### MARKET REFORM AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

##### *Competition*

#### **204 Mergers of energy network enterprises**

- (1) [Schedule 16](#) makes provision about mergers of energy network enterprises.
- (2) The Secretary of State must carry out a review of the operation of sections [68A](#) to [68F](#) of, and Schedule 5A to, the Enterprise Act 2002 (inserted by [Schedule 16](#)) before the end of the period of 5 years beginning with the day on which [paragraph 2](#) of [Schedule 16](#) to this Act comes into force.
- (3) The Secretary of State must set out the conclusions of the review in a report.
- (4) The report must, in particular—
  - (a) set out the objectives of the provisions subject to review,
  - (b) assess the extent to which those objectives have been achieved, and
  - (c) assess whether those objectives remain appropriate and, if so, the extent to which those objectives could be achieved in a way that imposes less regulation.
- (5) The Secretary of State must lay the report before Parliament.

#### **Commencement Information**

**II** S. 204 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 334\(2\)\(j\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Energy Act 2023, Section 204.