



Housing (Wales) Act 2014

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PART 2

HOMELESSNESS

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HELP FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS OR THREATENED WITH HOMELESSNESS

Key terms

55 Meaning of homeless and threatened homelessness

- (1) A person is homeless if there is no accommodation available for the person's occupation, in the United Kingdom or elsewhere, which the person—
- (a) is entitled to occupy by virtue of an interest in it or by virtue of an order of a court,
 - (b) has an express or implied licence to occupy, or
 - (c) occupies as a residence by virtue of any enactment or rule of law giving the person the right to remain in occupation or restricting the right of another person to recover possession.
- (2) A person is also homeless if the person has accommodation but—
- (a) cannot secure entry to it, or
 - (b) it consists of a moveable structure, vehicle or vessel designed or adapted for human habitation and there is no place where the person is entitled or permitted both to place it and to reside in it.
- (3) A person is not to be treated as having accommodation unless it is accommodation which it would be reasonable for the person to continue to occupy.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Housing (Wales) Act 2014, Section 55. (See end of Document for details)

- (4) A person is threatened with homelessness if it is likely that the person will become homeless within 56 days.

Commencement Information

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