



Industrial Development Act 1982

1982 CHAPTER 52

PART IV

MISCELLANEOUS

General assistance for industry

11 Advice for businesses.

- (1) The Secretary of State may make provision for the giving of advice (whether free of charge or otherwise) to persons carrying on or proposing to carry on a business.
- (2) Not later than six months after the end of any financial year in which this power is used the Secretary of State shall prepare and lay before Parliament a report on the exercise during the year of his powers under this section.

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Textual Amendments

F1 S. 11(3) repealed (22.7.2004) by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 2004 \(c. 14\)](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. 16](#) Group 2

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 S. 11: functions transferred (1.7.1999) by [1998 c. 46, ss. 53, 56\(1\)\(h\)](#) (with [ss. 54, 126\(3\)-\(11\)](#)), [Sch. 4 Pt. III paras. 12-14](#); [S.I. 1998/3178, art. 3](#).

12 Powers to promote careers in industry etc.

- (1) The Secretary of State may make such grants or loans to any body as he considers appropriate for the purpose of assisting in—
 - (a) the promotion of the practice of engineering;
 - (b) the encouragement and improvement of links between industry, or any part of industry, and bodies or individuals concerned with education;

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- (c) the encouragement of young persons and others to take up careers in industry, or in any part of industry, and to pursue appropriate educational courses.
- (2) Any grants under this section may be made on such conditions, and any loans under this section may be made at such rates of interest, as the Secretary of State may with the approval of the Treasury determine.
- (3) The Secretary of State shall not determine a rate of interest in respect of a loan under this section which is lower than the lowest rate for the time being determined by the Treasury under section 5 of the ^{M1}National Loans Act 1968 in respect of comparable loans out of the National Loans Fund.
- (4) The Secretary of State may, with the approval of the Treasury, guarantee obligations (arising out of loans) incurred by any body which falls within subsection (5) below and which in his opinion is concerned with promoting the practice of engineering.
- (5) A body falls within this subsection if—
- (a) it is established by Royal Charter; and
 - (b) its members are for the time being appointed by the Secretary of State.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C2 S. 12: functions transferred (1.7.1999) by 1998 c. 46, ss. 53, 56(1)(h) (with ss. 54, 126(3)-(11), Sch. 4 Pt. III paras. 12-14); S.I. 1998/3178, art. 3.

C3 S. 12: functions modified (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 2, Sch. 1

Marginal Citations

M1 1968 c. 13.

13 Improvement of basic services [^{F2}in development areas and intermediate areas].

- (1) Where it appears to the Minister in charge of any government department that adequate provision has not been made for the needs of any development area or intermediate area in respect of a basic service for which the department is responsible, and that it is expedient with a view to contributing to the development of industry in that area that the service should be improved, he may with the consent of the Treasury make grants or loans towards the cost of improving it to such persons and in such manner as appear to him appropriate.
- (2) In this section “basic service” means the provision of facilities for transport (whether by road, rail, water or air) or of power, lighting, heating, water, or sewerage, and sewage disposal facilities, or any other service or facility on which the development of the area in question, and in particular of industrial undertakings therein, depends.
- (3) The powers conferred by this section are in addition to any other powers of a Minister of the Crown to make grants or loans.

Textual Amendments

F2 Words in s. 13 heading inserted (4.7.2016) by Enterprise Act 2016 (c. 12), ss. 35(2), 44(2)(f)

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- C4** S. 13: functions transferred (1.7.1999) by 1998 c. 46, **ss. 53, 56(1)(h)** (with **ss. 54, 126(3)-(11)**, Sch. 4 Pt. III paras. 12-14); S.I. 1998/3178, **art. 3**.
- C5** S. 13: functions modified (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, **art. 2, Sch. 1**

[^{F3}13A Improvement of electronic communications networks and services etc

- (1) This section applies if it appears to the Secretary of State that adequate provision has not been made for an area in respect of electronic communications facilities.
- (2) The Secretary of State may, with the consent of the Treasury, make a grant or loan towards the cost of improving an electronic communications facility if—
 - (a) the Secretary of State considers that doing so is likely to contribute to the development of industry in the area, or
 - (b) the Secretary of State considers that doing so is likely to benefit the area in any other way (for example, by improving social or economic inclusion), and the grant or loan is made to an undertaking that is, or is to be, carried on in the area.
- (3) In this section—
 - (a) “area” means the United Kingdom or a part or area of the United Kingdom;
 - (b) “electronic communications facility” means an electronic communications network, electronic communications service or associated facility, as defined by section 32 of the Communications Act 2003.
- (4) The power conferred by this section is in addition to any other powers of the Secretary of State to make grants or loans.]

Textual Amendments

- F3** S. 13A inserted (4.7.2016) by Enterprise Act 2016 (c. 12), **ss. 35(3), 44(2)(f)**

14 Provision of premises and sites.

- (1) The Secretary of State shall have power, in order to provide or facilitate the provision of premises in any development area or intermediate area for occupation by undertakings carried on or to be carried on there or for otherwise meeting the requirements of such undertakings (including requirements arising from the needs of persons employed or to be employed therein)—
 - (a) to acquire land by agreement or, if so authorised, compulsorily;
 - (b) to erect buildings and carry out works on land belonging to the Secretary of State;
 - (c) by agreement with the persons interested in any other land, to erect buildings and carry out works on the land on such terms (including terms as to repayment of expenditure incurred by the Secretary of State) as may be specified in the agreement.
- (2) The Secretary of State shall not acquire under subsection (1) above any buildings other than industrial buildings (as defined in [^{F4}section 14A of this Act]) except for redevelopment or as part of a larger property which in the opinion of the Secretary of State would be incomplete without them.

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- (3) The Secretary of State may modernise, adapt or reconstruct any buildings or other works on land acquired by him under this section or the ^{M2}Local Employment Act 1972 and, where the execution of that work will interrupt the use of the buildings or works by any undertaking, acquire other land by agreement, and erect buildings and carry out works on that other land, or on land previously acquired by the Secretary of State as aforesaid, for the purpose of providing premises for the occupation of that undertaking or of otherwise meeting its requirements.
- (4) Where land acquired by the Secretary of State under this section or the ^{M3}Local Employment Act 1972 is situated in a locality which is not a development area or intermediate area, the Secretary of State may exercise in relation to the land the following powers, that is to say—
- (a) power to preserve and maintain the land and any buildings or works on it, and to erect buildings and carry out works on it;
 - (b) where there are buildings on the land, power to acquire by agreement other land contiguous or adjacent to it for the purpose of erecting thereon extensions to those buildings or of erecting thereon other buildings to be used with the first-mentioned buildings as part of a single undertaking;
 - (c) power to provide means of access, services and other facilities for meeting the requirements of undertakings carried on, or to be carried on, on the land (including requirements arising from the needs of persons employed or to be employed therein).
- (5) The ^{M4}Acquisition of Land Act 1981 shall apply in relation to the compulsory purchase of land by the Secretary of State under this section; but, notwithstanding anything in this section, where at the time of publication in accordance with the provisions of that Act of notice of the preparation of a draft of a compulsory purchase order—
- (a) land is in use for the purposes of any undertaking, and
 - (b) that undertaking provides employment which is substantial having regard to the extent of the land used for its purposes and the nature of the undertaking,
- the Secretary of State shall not be authorised to acquire compulsorily the interest of the person carrying on the undertaking.

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Textual Amendments

- F4** Words substituted by [Housing and Planning Act 1986 \(c. 63, SIF 123:1\)](#), ss. 49, 53, **Sch. 11 Pt. I para. 25(2)**
- F5** [S. 14\(6\)](#) omitted (13.7.2016) by virtue of [Housing and Planning Act 2016 \(c. 22\)](#), s. 216(3), **Sch. 14 para. 15**; [S.I. 2016/733](#), reg. 3(h) (with reg. 6)

Marginal Citations

- M2** 1972 c. 5.
- M3** 1972 c. 5.
- M4** 1981 c. 67.

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[^{F6}14A Meaning of “industrial buildings”.

(1) In section 14(2) of this Act “ industrial building ” means a building which is used or designed for use for carrying on, in the course of a trade or business, a process for or incidental to any of the following purposes—

- (a) the making of any article or part of any article,
- (b) the altering, repairing, ornamenting, finishing, cleaning, washing, freezing, packing or canning, or adapting for sale, or breaking up or demolition, of any article, or
- (c) the getting, dressing or preparation for sale of minerals or the extraction or preparation for sale of oil or brine,

or which is used or designed for use for carrying on, in the course of a trade or business, scientific research.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1) premises which—

- (a) are used or designed for use for providing services or facilities ancillary to the use of other premises for the carrying on of any such process or research as is mentioned in that subsection, and
- (b) are or are to be comprised in the same building or the same curtilage as those other premises,

shall themselves be treated as used or designed for use for the carrying on of such a process or, as the case may be, of such research.

(3) In this section—

“ article ” means an article of any description, including a ship or vessel;

“ building ” includes part of a building;

“ minerals ” includes all minerals and substances in or under land of a kind ordinarily worked for removal by underground or surface working, except that it does not include peat cut for purposes other than sale;

“ scientific research ” means any activity in the fields of natural or applied science for the extension of knowledge”.]

Textual Amendments

F6 S. 14A inserted by [Housing and Planning Act 1986 \(c. 63, SIF 123:1\)](#), ss. 49, 53, [Sch. 11 Pt. I para. 25\(3\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

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