



# Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984

## 1984 CHAPTER 60

### PART IX

#### POLICE COMPLAINTS AND DISCIPLINE

##### *Handling of complaints etc.*

#### **97 Reports.**

- (1) The Authority shall, at the request of the Secretary of State, report to him on such matters relating generally to their functions as the Secretary of State may specify, and the Authority may for that purpose carry out research into any such matters.
- (2) The Authority may make a report to the Secretary of State on any matters coming to their notice under this Part of this Act to which they consider that his attention should be drawn by reason of their gravity or of other exceptional circumstances; and the Authority shall send a copy of any such report to the police authority and to the chief officer of police of any police force which appears to the Authority to be concerned or, if the report concerns any such body of constables as is mentioned in section 96 above, to the authority maintaining it and the officer having the direction and the control of it.
- (3) As soon as practicable after the end of each calendar year the Authority shall make to the Secretary of State a report on the discharge of their functions during that year.
- (4) The Authority shall keep under review the working of sections 84 to 96 above and shall make to the Secretary of State a report on it at least once in every three years after the coming into force of this section.
- (5) The Secretary of State shall lay before Parliament a copy of every report received by him under this section and shall cause every such report to be published.
- (6) The Authority shall send to every police authority—
  - (a) a copy of every report made by the Authority under subsection (3) above; and
  - (b) any statistical or other general information which relates to the year dealt with by the report and to the area of that authority and which the Authority consider

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should be brought to the police authority's attention in connection with their functions under section 95 above.

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