



Housing (Scotland) Act 1988

1988 CHAPTER 43

PART II

RENTED ACCOMMODATION

Phasing out of Rent (Scotland) Act 1984 and other transitional provisions

44 New “Part VII” contracts limited to transitional cases

- (1) No contract entered into after the commencement of this section shall be a Part VII contract for the purposes of the Rent (Scotland) Act 1984 unless it is entered into in pursuance of a contract made before the commencement of this section.
- (2) If the terms of a Part VII contract are varied after the commencement of this section then, subject to subsection (3) below—
 - (a) if the variation affects the amount of the rent which, under the contract, is payable for the dwelling in question, the contract shall be treated as a new contract entered into at the time of the variation (and subsection (1) above shall have effect accordingly); and
 - (b) if the variation does not affect the amount of the rent which, under the contract, is so payable, nothing in this section shall affect the determination of the question whether the variation is such as to give rise to a new contract.
- (3) Any reference in subsection (2) above to a variation affecting the amount of the rent which, under a contract, is payable for a dwelling does not include a reference to—
 - (a) a reduction or increase effected under section 66 of the Rent (Scotland) Act 1984 (power of rent assessment committees); or
 - (b) a variation which is made by the parties and has the effect of making the rent expressed to be payable under the contract the same as the rent for the dwelling which is entered in the register under section 67 of the Rent (Scotland) Act 1984.
- (4) Section 70(2) of the Rent (Scotland) Act 1984 (no cancellation of registration of rent until after 3 years) shall cease to have effect.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (5) In this section “rent” has the same meaning as in Part VII of the Rent (Scotland) Act 1984.