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Right to enfranchisement

- 1 In the Leasehold Reform Act 1967, after section 1A there...
- 2 (1) In consequence of paragraph 1 above, the Leasehold Reform...

Right to collective enfranchisement

3 Low rent test: extension of rights

Right to new lease

- 4 Low rent test: extension of rights
- 5 (1) In Chapter VII of that Part (general), section 94...

SCHEDULE 10 — Section 107: consequential amendments

- 1 Chapter I of Part I of the Leasehold Reform, Housing...
- 2 In section 1(4) (right to acquire additional property satisfied by...
- 3 (1) Section 9 (the reversioner and other relevant landlords) shall...
- 4 Section 107: consequential amendments

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- 5 (1) Section 11 (right of qualifying tenant to obtain information...
- 6 (1) Section 13 (notice by qualifying tenants of claim to...
- 7 (1) Section 19 (effect of notice under section 13 on...
- 8 (1) Section 21 (reversioner's counter-notice) shall be amended as follows....
- 9 (1) Section 26 (application to court where relevant landlords cannot...
- 10 In section 30 (effect on acquisition of institution of compulsory...
- 11 (1) Section 34 (conveyance to nominee purchaser) shall be amended...
- 12 (1) Section 36 (nominee purchaser required to grant leases back...
- 13 In section 38 (interpretation of Chapter I), in subsection (3),...
- 14 In Schedule 1 (conduct of proceedings by reversioner on behalf...
- 15 In that Schedule, after Part I there shall be inserted—...
- 16 In Schedule 2 (special categories of landlords), in paragraph 1(1),...
- 17 (1) Part II of Schedule 3 (which makes provision for...
- 18 (1) Schedule 6 (purchase price payable by nominee purchaser) shall...
- 19 In Schedule 7 (conveyance to nominee purchaser on enfranchisement), in...
- 20 (1) Schedule 9 (grant of leases back to former freeholder)...

SCHEDULE 11 — Compensation for postponement of termination in connection with ineffective claims

Claims under Part I of the Leasehold Reform Act 1967

1 (1) After section 27 of the Leasehold Reform Act 1967...

Claims under Chapter I of Part I of the Leasehold Reform, Housing and Urban Development Act 1993

2 (1) After section 37 of the Leasehold Reform, Housing and...

Claims under Chapter II of Part I of the Leasehold Reform, Housing and Urban Development Act 1993

3 (1) After section 61 of the Leasehold Reform, Housing and...

SCHEDULE 12 — Administration of housing benefit, &c

Administration of housing benefit

1 (1) Section 134 of the Social Security Administration Act 1992...

Administration of council tax benefit

- 2 In section 138 of the Social Security Administration Act 1992...
- 3 (1) Section 139 of the Social Security Administration Act 1992...

Subsidy

4 After section 140 of the Social Security Administration Act 1992...

Transitional provision

5 (1) The Secretary of State may by order make such...

SCHEDULE 13 — Housing benefit and related matters: consequential amendments

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Rent Act 1977 (c.42)

1 In section 63(7) of the Rent Act 1977 (expenditure on...

Housing Act 1985 (c.68)

2 In section 425(2)(b) of the Housing Act 1985 (housing subsidy:...

Social Security Administration Act 1992 (c.5)

3 (1) The Social Security Administration Act 1992 is amended as...

Leasehold Reform, Housing and Urban Development Act 1993 (c.28)

4 In section 135(8) of the Leasehold Reform, Housing and Urban...

SCHEDULE 14 — Introductory tenancies: consequential amendments

Housing Act 1985 (c.68)

- 1 In section 88(1) of the Housing Act 1985 (cases where...
- 2 In section 104(2) of the Housing Act 1985 (provision of...
- 3 After section 115 of the Housing Act 1985 insert— Meaning...
- 4 In section 117 of the Housing Act 1985 (index of...
- 5 In Schedule 1 to the Housing Act 1985 (tenancies which...

SCHEDULE 15 — Arrest for anti-social behaviour: powers of High Court and county court to remand

Introductory

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	Remand in custody or on bail
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	Further remand
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	Postponement of taking of recognizance
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SCI	HEDULE 16 — Allocation of housing accommodation: consequential amendments
	Housing Act 1985 (c.68)
1 2	In section 106 of the Housing Act 1985 (information about (1) Schedule 1 to the Housing Act 1985 (tenancies which
	Asylum and Immigration Act 1996 (c. 49)
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3 (1) Section 9 of the Asylum and Immigration Act 1996...

SCHEDULE 17 — Homelessness: consequential amendments

Local Authority Social Services Act 1970 (c.42)

1 In Schedule 1 to the Local Authority Social Services Act...

Greater London Council (General Powers) Act 1984 (c.xxvii)

2 In section 39 of the Greater London Council (General Powers)...

Housing Act 1985 (c.68)

3 In Schedule 1 to the Housing Act 1985 (tenancies which...

Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 (c.26)

4 In section 42 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 (application...

SCHEDULE 18 — Miscellaneous provisions Part I — HOUSING MANAGEMENT

Repeal of Part IV of the Housing Act 1988

1 Part IV of the Housing Act 1988 (change of landlord:...

Payments to encourage local housing authority tenants to move to other accommodation

2 (1) A local housing authority may make payments to or...

Consultation with respect to housing management

3 (1) Part II of the Housing Act 1985 (provision of... Part II — HOUSING FINANCE

Housing Revenue Account: directions as to certain matters

4 (1) In Part VI of the Local Government and Housing...

Housing Revenue Account subsidy: final decision on amount

5 (1) In Part VI of the Local Government and Housing...

Abolition of exchequer contributions for agricultural housing

6 (1) No contribution shall be made by the Secretary of... Part III — ORDERS IN RELATION TO PROPERTY IN FAMILY AND MATRIMONIAL PROCEEDINGS, &C.

Housing Act 1980 (c.51)

7 In section 54(2) of the Housing Act 1980 (prohibition on...

Housing Act 1985 (c.68)

- 8 (1) Section 39 of the Housing Act 1985 (exempted disposals)...
- 9 In section 88(2) of the Housing Act 1985 (cases where...
- 10 In section 89 of the Housing Act 1985 (succession to...
- 11 In section 90(3) of the Housing Act 1985 (devolution of...
- 12 In section 91(3) of the Housing Act 1985 (cases where...

- 13 In section 99B(2) of the Housing Act 1985 (persons qualifying...
- 14 In section 101(3) of the Housing Act 1985 (rent not...
- 15 (1) Section 160 of the Housing Act 1985 (exempted disposals...
- 16 In section 171B(4)(b) of the Housing Act 1985 (extent of...
- 17 In paragraph 1(2) of Schedule 6A to the Housing Act...

Landlord and Tenant Act 1987 (c.31)

18 In section 4(2) of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1987...

Housing Act 1988 (c.50)

19 (1) Paragraph 4 of Schedule 11 to the Housing Act... Part IV — OTHER HOUSING PROVISIONS

Abolition of consent requirements for exercise of certain housing powers

20 Section 16 of the Housing Act 1985 (consent requirements for...

Amendments of section 133 of the Housing Act 1988

21 (1) Section 133 of the Housing Act 1988 (consent required...

Abolition of requirements for Treasury consent

22 (1) Any requirement in the following enactments for the consent...

Disposal of dwelling-houses subject to secure tenancies: consultation requirements

23 In section 106A of the Housing Act 1985 (consultation before...

Powers of local housing authorities to acquire land for housing purposes

24 (1) In section 17(2) of the Housing Act 1985 (acquisition...

Housing action trusts

25 (1) In section 63 of the Housing Act 1988 (objects...

Preserved right to buy

26 (1) In section 171B of the Housing Act 1985 (qualifying...

Local authority assistance in connection with mortgages

- 27 (1) Section 442 of the Housing Act 1985 (agreements by...
- 28 In section 443 of the Housing Act 1985 (local authority...
- 29 (1) For section 444 of the Housing Act 1985 (meaning...
- 30 In paragraph 21(d) of Schedule 13 to the Local Government...

SCHEDULE 19 — Repeals

- Part I SOCIAL RENTED SECTOR
- Part II HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION
- Part III TENANTS' RIGHTS
- Part IV ASSURED TENANCIES
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- Part~VI~--~HOUSING~BENEFIT~AND~RELATED~MATTERS
- Part VII ALLOCATION OF HOUSING ACCOMODATION

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