



# Education Act 1996

## 1996 CHAPTER 56

### PART I

#### GENERAL

#### CHAPTER IV

##### THE FUNDING AUTHORITIES

##### *The Authorities*

#### **20 The Funding Agency for Schools**

- (1) The Funding Agency for Schools shall continue in existence as a body corporate exercising in relation to England the functions conferred on them.
- (2) The agency shall consist of not less than 10 nor more than 15 members appointed by the Secretary of State, one of whom shall be so appointed as chairman.
- (3) In appointing the members of the agency the Secretary of State shall have regard to the desirability of including—
  - (a) persons who appear to him to have experience of, and to have shown capacity in, the provision of primary or secondary education or to have held, and to have shown capacity in, any position carrying responsibility for the provision of such education;
  - (b) persons who appear to him to have experience of, and to have shown capacity in, the provision of education in voluntary schools, or in grant-maintained schools having foundation governors;
  - (c) persons who appear to him to have experience of, and to have shown capacity in, industrial, commercial or financial matters or the practice of any profession; and
  - (d) persons who appear to him to have experience of, and to have shown capacity in, providing for children with special educational needs.

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- (4) Before appointing any member of the agency the Secretary of State shall consult—
- (a) a body appearing to him to be representative of the Church of England, and
  - (b) a body appearing to him to be representative of the Roman Catholic Church,
- in matters relating to the provision of education in voluntary schools, or in grant-maintained schools having foundation governors.
- (5) Schedule 2 has effect in relation to the agency.