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PART III

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GOVERNMENT, CONDUCT ETC. OF GRANT-MAINTAINED SCHOOLS

Powers

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- (1) A joint scheme shall not come into force until it has been approved by the Secretary of State.
- (2) A joint scheme shall provide for the scheme to cease to have effect where the governing bodies of all the schools to which the scheme applies agree.
- (3) A joint scheme—
 - (a) may be varied by the governing bodies of all the schools to which the scheme applies if the variations are minor variations or the Secretary of State has approved the variations,
 - (b) if the Secretary of State so directs, shall be varied by the governing bodies in accordance with the direction, and
 - (c) if the Secretary of State so directs, shall cease to have effect.
- (4) The Secretary of State may—
 - (a) approve a scheme, or variations, with such modifications as he thinks fit, or
 - (b) give a direction under subsection (3)(b) or (c),only after proper consultations.

Status: *This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

- (5) In subsection (4) “proper consultations” means consultations with the governing bodies of every school—
- (a) (in the case of a proposed scheme) to which the scheme will apply,
 - (b) (in the case of a variation) to which the scheme applies, or will apply after the variation, or
 - (c) (in the case of a direction for a scheme to cease to have effect) to which the scheme applies.
- (6) The Secretary of State may by order specify what descriptions of variation are to be regarded as minor for the purposes of this section.