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## **SCHEDULES**

# SCHEDULE 1 — Citizenship Ceremony, Oath and Pledge

- 1 The following shall be substituted for section 42 of the...
- 2 The following shall be substituted for Schedule 5 to the...
- 3 Section 41 of the British Nationality Act 1981 (c. 61)...
- 4 For subsection (1)(d) substitute— (d) for the time within which...
- 5 In subsection (2)(c)—(a) for "the taking there of any...
- 6 In subsection (3)(a) for "taking of oaths of allegiance" substitute...
- 7 After subsection (3) insert— (3A) Regulations under subsection (1)(d) to...
- 8 The Secretary of State may make a payment to a...
- 9 (1) A local authority must—(a) comply with a requirement...

# SCHEDULE 2 — Nationality: Repeal of Spent Provisions

- 1 The following provisions of the British Nationality Act 1981 (c....
- 2 Nothing in this Schedule has any effect in relation to...

# SCHEDULE 3 — Withholding and Withdrawal of Support

# Ineligibility for support

1 (1) A person to whom this paragraph applies shall not...

# **Exceptions**

- 2 (1) Paragraph 1 does not prevent the provision of support...
- 3 Paragraph 1 does not prevent the exercise of a power...

First class of ineligible person: refugee status abroad

4 (1) Paragraph 1 applies to a person if he—

Second class of ineligible person: citizen of other EEA State

5 Paragraph 1 applies to a person if he—

Third class of ineligible person: failed asylum-seeker

6 (1) Paragraph 1 applies to a person if—

Fourth class of ineligible person: person unlawfully in United Kingdom

7 Paragraph 1 applies to a person if—

Fifth class of ineligible person: failed asylum-seeker with family

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# Travel assistance

8 The Secretary of State may make regulations providing for arrangements...

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# Temporary accommodation

- 9 (1) The Secretary of State may make regulations providing for...
- 10 (1) The Secretary of State may make regulations providing for...

# Assistance and accommodation: general

- 11 Regulations under paragraph 8, 9 or 10 may—
- 12 (1) Regulations may, in particular, provide that if a person...

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13 (1) A person who leaves the United Kingdom in accordance...

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14 (1) If it appears to a local authority that paragraph...

# Power to amend Schedule

15 The Secretary of State may by order amend this Schedule...

# Orders and regulations

16 (1) An order or regulations under this Schedule must be...

# Interpretation

17 (1) In this Schedule— "asylum-seeker" means a person— who is...

Schedule 4 — The Asylum and Immigration Tribunal

## Membership

- 1 The Lord Chancellor shall appoint the members of the Asylum...
- 2 (1) A person is eligible for appointment as a member...
- 3 (1) A member— (a) may resign by notice in writing...
- 4 (1) The Lord Chancellor may by order make provision for...

# Presidency

5 (1) The Lord Chancellor shall appoint—(a) a member of...

# Judicial Assistance

- 5A (1) The Senior President of Tribunals, with the consent of...
- 5B .....

# Proceedings

- 6 The Tribunal shall sit at times and places determined by...
- 7 (1) The jurisdiction of the Tribunal shall be exercised by...
- 8 (1) The Senior President of Tribunals may make arrangements for...

## Staff

9 The Lord Chancellor may appoint staff for the Tribunal.

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## Money

- 10 The Lord Chancellor—(a) may pay remuneration and allowances to...
- 11 The Lord Chancellor may pay compensation to a person who...

# Delegation

12 (1) The Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales may...

# Training etc.

13 The Senior President of Tribunals is responsible, within the resources...

#### Oaths

14 (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies to a person (" the appointee...

## SCHEDULE 5 —

## Membership

- 1 The Lord Chancellor shall appoint the members of the Tribunal....
- 2 (1) A member— (a) may resign by notice in writing...

# Presidency

- 3 The Lord Chancellor shall appoint as President of the Tribunal...
- 4 (1) The Lord Chancellor shall appoint one legally qualified member...

# Proceedings

- 5 The Tribunal shall sit at times and places determined by...
- 6 The Tribunal may sit in more than one division.
- 7 (1) The jurisdiction of the Tribunal may be exercised by...

## Staff

8 The Lord Chancellor may appoint staff for the Tribunal.

# Money

- 9 The Lord Chancellor— (a) may pay remuneration and allowances to...
- 10 The Lord Chancellor may pay compensation to a person who...

## Interpretation: legally qualified member

11 (1) For the purpose of this Schedule a member of...

# SCHEDULE 6 — Immigration and Asylum Appeals: Transitional Provision

## "Commencement"

1 In this Schedule "commencement" means the coming into force of...

## Adjudicator

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## Tribunal

(1) Where a person is a member of the Immigration...

# Earlier appeal

In the application of section 96—(a) a reference to...

## Saving

(1) This Schedule is without prejudice to the power to...

SCHEDULE 7 — Immigration and Asylum Appeals: Consequential Amendments

# Immigration Act 1971 (c. 77)

- In section 33(4) of the Immigration Act 1971 (c. 77)...
- In paragraph 2A(9) of Schedule 2 to that Act (control...
- In paragraph 4(4) of that Schedule (examination and detention of...
- In paragraph 8(2) of that Schedule (time within which directions...
- In paragraph 25 of that Schedule (rules) for "section 22...
- In paragraph 29 of that Schedule (bail pending appeal)—
- In paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 3 to that Act (deportation)...
- For paragraph 3 of that Schedule (deportation: effect of appeal)...

House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 24)

In Part III of Schedule 1 to the House of...

Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 25)

10 In Part III of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland...

12 13

14 15 

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Courts and Legal Services Act 1990 (c. 41)

In Schedule 11 to the Courts and Legal Services Act...

Tribunals and Inquiries Act 1992 (c. 53)

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Judicial Pensions and Retirement Act 1993 (c. 8)

- 18 In Part II of Schedule 1 to the Judicial Pensions...
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Special Immigration Appeals Commission Act 1997 (c. 68)

- 20 The following shall be substituted for section 2 of the...
- Section 2A of that Act (human rights) shall cease to...

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- 22 Section 4 of that Act (determination of appeals) shall cease...
- 23 In section 5 of that Act (procedure)—
- 24 Section 7A of that Act (pending appeals) shall cease to...
- 25 In paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to that Act—
- 26 Schedule 2 to that Act shall cease to have effect....

# Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (c. 33)

- 27 In section 23(1) of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999...
- 28 In section 53(4) of that Act (bail) for "this Act"...
- 29 (1) Paragraph 9 of Schedule 4 to that Act (appeals:...

# Anti-terrorism, Crime and Security Act 2001 (c. 24)

The following shall be substituted for section 27(10) of the...

# Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (c. 29)

- 31 The following shall be substituted for paragraph 4 of Schedule...
- 32 In paragraph 4 of Schedule 4 to that Act (lifestyle...
- 33 The following shall be substituted for paragraph 4 of Schedule...

# SCHEDULE 8 — Carriers' Liability

- 1 The Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (c. 33) shall be...
- 2 (1) Section 32 (penalty for carrying clandestine entrant) shall be...
- 3 After section 32 insert—Level of penalty: code of practice...
- 4 The heading of section 33 (code of practice) becomes "...
- 5 In section 33(2)(b) omit "both Houses of".
- 6 (1) Section 34 (defence) shall be amended as follows.
- 7 (1) Section 35 (notification and objection) shall be amended as...
- 8 After section 35 insert— Appeal (1) A person may appeal to the court against a...
- 9 (1) Section 36 (detention of vehicle) shall be amended as...
- 10 After section 36 insert— Detention in default of payment (1) This section applies where a person to whom a...
- 11 (1) Section 37 (effect of detention of transporter) shall be...
- 12 Section 39(rail freight) shall cease to have effect.
- 13 For section 40 (charge in respect of passenger without proper...
- Section 42(power to detain vehicle, &c. carrying person without proper...
- 15 In section 43 (interpretation) (which becomes subsection (1))—
- 16 (1) Schedule 1 (sale of transporter) shall be amended as...
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# SCHEDULE 9 — Repeals

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