



Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 21

PART 2

FUNCTIONS OF FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITIES

Assistance in discharge of functions

14 Directions as to reinforcement schemes

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) a fire and rescue authority has asked one or more other fire and rescue authorities to agree to the making, variation or revocation of a reinforcement scheme,
 - (b) the authorities are unable to agree to the making, terms, variation or revocation of the scheme, and
 - (c) one of the authorities asks the Secretary of State to act under this section.
- (2) The Secretary of State may direct the authorities concerned—
 - (a) to make a reinforcement scheme in the terms specified in the direction;
 - (b) to make one or more specified variations to a reinforcement scheme;
 - (c) to revoke a reinforcement scheme.
- (3) Before giving a direction under subsection (2) the Secretary of State—
 - (a) must give both (or all) the authorities concerned an opportunity to make representations to him;
 - (b) may cause an inquiry to be held.