



# Higher Education and Research Act 2017

## 2017 CHAPTER 29

### PART 3

#### RESEARCH

##### *Establishment of United Kingdom Research and Innovation*

#### **92 The Councils of UKRI**

- (1) UKRI is to have the following committees (referred to in this Part as the “Councils”)—
  - (a) the Arts and Humanities Research Council,
  - (b) the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council,
  - (c) the Economic and Social Research Council,
  - (d) the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council,
  - (e) the Medical Research Council,
  - (f) the Natural Environment Research Council,
  - (g) the Science and Technology Facilities Council,
  - (h) Innovate UK, and
  - (i) Research England.
- (2) The Secretary of State may by regulations amend subsection (1) so as to—
  - (a) add or omit a Council, or
  - (b) change the name of a Council.
- (3) But the regulations may not omit, or change the name of, Innovate UK or Research England.
- (4) Before making regulations under subsection (2), the Secretary of State must consult such persons as the Secretary of State considers appropriate.
- (5) UKRI must, if requested to do so by the Secretary of State, carry out such a consultation, on behalf of the Secretary of State, of such persons.

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- (6) In such a case, UKRI must carry out the consultation in accordance with such directions as the Secretary of State may give.