



# Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023

## 2023 CHAPTER 56

### PART 1

#### COMPANIES ETC

#### *Company names*

#### **11 Prohibition on re-registering name following direction**

- (1) The Companies Act 2006 is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 57A (inserted by section 10 of this Act) insert—

*“Prohibitions where a company has been required to change a name*

#### **57B Prohibition on re-registering name following direction**

- (1) Where a company’s name has at any time been changed following a direction under section 67, 75, 76, 76A or 76B, or an order under section 73, the company must not subsequently be registered under this Act by the original name or a name that is similar to it.
- (2) But subsection (1) does not prevent the registration of the company by any name approved by the Secretary of State.
- (3) In subsection (1)—
  - (a) the reference to the name of a company being changed following a direction under a particular section includes a case where a new name is determined for the company under section 76D because of its failure to comply with the direction;

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- (b) the reference to the name of a company being changed following an order under section 73 includes a case where a new name is determined for the company under section 73(4) because of its failure to comply with an order.”
- (3) In section 1047 (registered name of overseas company), in subsection (4), after paragraph (bb) (inserted by section 10 of this Act) insert—
- “(bc) section 57B (restriction on re-registering name following direction).”

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**Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 11 in force at Royal Assent for specified purposes, see [s. 219\(1\)\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- I2** [S. 11](#) in force at 4.3.2024 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2024/269](#), [reg. 2\(g\)](#)

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