



Civil List Act 1937

1937 CHAPTER 32 1 Edw 8 and 1 Geo 6

An Act to make provision for the honour and dignity of the Crown and the Royal Family, and for the payment of certain allowances and pensions; to enable His Majesty to assent to arrangements on behalf of any son of His Majesty being Duke of Cornwall for the payment of certain sums out of the revenues of the Duchy during the minority of the said Duke; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid. [10th June 1937]

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Whereas Your Majesty has been graciously pleased to signify to Your faithful Commons in Parliament assembled that Your Majesty placed unreservedly at their disposal those hereditary revenues which were so placed by Your Predecessor, and that Your Majesty is desirous that competent provision should be made for Her Majesty the Queen in the event of Her surviving Your Majesty, and for Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth and His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester, and that provision should be made for Your Majesty's children, other than Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth, corresponding to the provision which the House of Commons have been willing to make in like circumstances in the past:

And whereas Your Majesty has further been graciously pleased to signify Your Majesty's intention, so long as the Duchy of Cornwall is vested in Your Majesty, to make the said provision for Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth and for His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester, and, in so far as the revenues of the Duchy may be sufficient for the purpose, to provide for Your Majesty's Civil List:

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Textual Amendments

F1 Ss. 1, 2 repealed by [Civil List Act 1952 \(c. 37\)](#), [Sch. 2](#)

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Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Civil List Act 1937 (repealed). (See end of Document for details)

3 Provision for Her Majesty the Queen in the event of her surviving His Majesty.

In the event of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth surviving His Majesty, there shall be paid to her during her life the yearly sum of [^{F2}£643,000].

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Textual Amendments

F2 S. 3 amended by [S.I. 1990/2018, art. 3](#) and words substituted by virtue of that art.

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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Power to increase sum mentioned in s. 3 conferred by [Civil List Act 1972 \(c. 7\), s. 6\(1\)\(b\)](#)

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Textual Amendments

F3 S. 4 repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1977 \(c. 18\), Sch. 1 Pt. II](#)

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Textual Amendments

F4 [Ss. 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15\(1\)-\(4\), Sch.](#) repealed by [Civil List Act 1952 \(c. 37\), Sch. 2](#)

6 Provision for His Majesty’s younger children.

(1) There shall be paid to the trustees hereinafter mentioned as a provision for the benefit of His Majesty’s children, other than Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Cornwall for the time being, a yearly sum of ten thousand pounds in respect of each son, other than the Duke of Cornwall for the time being, who attains the age of twenty-one years, and a further yearly sum of fifteen thousand pounds in respect of each son who marries, and a yearly sum of six thousand pounds in respect of each daughter, other than Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth, who attains the age of twenty-one years or marries:

Provided that the sum payable in respect of any such son or daughter shall cease to be paid in the event of the death of that son or daughter.

(2) The trustees shall hold the yearly sums paid to them under this section in trust for all or any one or more of the children of His Majesty, other than Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Cornwall for the time being, in such shares, at such times, in such manner and subject to such conditions and powers of revocation (including, if it is thought fit, a condition against alienation) as His present Majesty may by order, countersigned by the First Commissioner of His Majesty’s Treasury and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, appoint:

Provided that any such appointment may be varied by another order made and countersigned in like manner.

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Textual Amendments

F5 Ss. 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15(1)-(4), Sch. repealed by Civil List Act 1952 (c. 37), Sch. 2

9 Constitution of Royal trustees.

The persons who are for the time being the First Commissioner of His Majesty's Treasury, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Keeper of His Majesty's Privy Purse shall be the Royal trustees for the purposes of this Act, and shall be a body corporate by that name, and any act of the trustees may be signified under the hands and seals of the persons who are the trustees for the time being.

10 F6

Textual Amendments

F6 Ss. 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15(1)-(4), Sch. repealed by Civil List Act 1952 (c. 37), Sch. 2

11 Payments by Treasury in respect of retired allowances.

The Treasury may undertake the payment of any retired allowances granted, on scales and in accordance with conditions approved from time to time by the Treasury, by His Majesty to or in respect of persons who have been members of the Royal Household.

12 F7

Textual Amendments

F7 Ss. 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15(1)-(4), Sch. repealed by Civil List Act 1952 (c. 37), Sch. 2

13 Charge of payments under this Act.

The sums required under this Act . . . ^{F8}, for the provision for Her Majesty the Queen, . . . ^{F9}, for the payment of the retired allowances payable by the Treasury under this Act . . . ^{F8} shall be charged on and paid out of the Consolidated Fund . . . ^{F10} and shall be paid at such times and in such manner as the Treasury may direct . . . ^{F8}

Textual Amendments

F8 Words repealed by Civil List Act 1952 (c. 37), Sch. 2

F9 Words repealed by Civil List Act 1952 (c. 37), Sch. 2 and Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1977 (c. 18), Sch. 1 Pt. II

F10 Words repealed by Statute Law Revision Act 1963 (c. 30)

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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C2 S. 13 applied by Consolidated Fund (Civil List Provisions) Act 1951 (c. 50), s. 1 to sums the payment of which is required by s. 6 of this Act

14 Adjustments in respect of parts of years.

Where any of the yearly payments . . . ^{F11}, mentioned in this Act fall to be made in respect only of a part of a year, such adjustments of and in relation to those payments ^{F11} shall be made as may in the circumstances of the case appear to the Treasury to be required.

Textual Amendments

F11 Words repealed by Civil List Act 1952 (c. 37), Sch. 2

15 †Continuation of enactments, commencement, repeal and short title.

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(5) This Act may be cited as the Civil List Act 1937.

Textual Amendments

F12 Ss. 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15(1)-(4), Sch. repealed by Civil List Act 1952 (c. 37), Sch. 2

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Textual Amendments

F13 Ss. 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15(1)-(4), Sch. repealed by Civil List Act 1952 (c. 37), **Sch. 2**

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