



National Gallery and Tate Gallery Act 1954

1954 CHAPTER 65

3 Allocation of gifts and bequests

- (1) Where any picture or other work of art would, apart from this section, have vested under section three of the National Gallery Act, 1856 (which relates to gifts or bequests where the donor or testator has made no special provision) in the National Gallery Trustees (subject, in the case of a bequest, to the Trustees' power of selection under the proviso to that section), the Treasury may direct that that picture or other work of art shall instead vest in the Tate Gallery Trustees or in one of the institutions listed in the First Schedule to this Act; and thereupon the said power of selection shall be exercisable by the Tate Gallery Trustees or, as the case may be, the institution so nominated by the Treasury.
- (2) In the proviso to the said section three the references to the director of the National Gallery shall be omitted.
- (3) The Treasury may by order contained in a statutory instrument add any institution in the United Kingdom to those listed in the First Schedule to this Act and the reference in the foregoing subsection to that Schedule shall be construed accordingly.
- (4) A draft of any order under this section shall be laid before Parliament and the Treasury shall not make the order unless the draft has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.