



# Army and Air Force Act 1961

## 1961 CHAPTER 52

*Amendment as to Discharge by Purchase applicable  
alike to Army Act, 1955, and Air Force Act, 1955*

### **17 Amendment of section 14 of Army Act, 1955, and Air Force Act, 1955**

- (1) In relation to persons enlisting after the coming into operation of this section, Part I of the Army Act, 1955, shall have effect with the substitution, for subsection (1) of section fourteen thereof, of the following subsection:—

“(1) A recruit shall be entitled to claim his discharge before the expiration of the period of three months beginning with the date of his attestation, and if he makes such a claim he shall on payment of a sum not exceeding twenty pounds be discharged with all convenient speed:

Provided that—

- (a) the Army Council may by regulations provide that the right conferred by this subsection shall not be exercisable by a recruit before the expiration of such period (not exceeding two months) beginning with the said date as may be prescribed by the regulations, and
  - (b) if a claim is made under this subsection by a recruit at a time when soldiers are required by a proclamation under section ten of this Act to continue in army service, he shall not be entitled to be discharged so long as they are so required to continue in army service”.
- (2) In relation to persons so enlisting, Part I of the Air Force Act, 1955, shall have effect with the substitution, for subsection (1) of section fourteen thereof, of a subsection in other respects similar to that set out in the foregoing subsection but modified by the substitution, for the words " Army Council " , of the words " Air Council", for the word " soldiers", of the word " airmen " and, for the words " army service " (in both places where they occur), of the words " air-force service " .