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**HOUSING, ENGLAND AND WALES****The Grants by Local Authorities (Appropriate Percentage and Exchequer Contributions) Order 1982***Laid before the House of Commons in draft**Made - - - 21st April 1982**Coming into Operation 22nd April 1982*

The Secretary of State for the Environment as respects England and the Secretary of State for Wales as respects Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 59(a), 78(4) and (5) and 128(1) and (1A)(b) of the Housing Act 1974(c) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and with the consent of the Treasury, hereby make the following order:—

*Citation and commencement*

1. This order may be cited as the Grants by Local Authorities (Appropriate Percentage and Exchequer Contributions) Order 1982, and shall come into operation on 22nd April 1982.

*Appropriate percentage for determining the amount or the maximum amount of grant*

2. Article 3 of this order applies to applications for intermediate grants or repairs grants made to local authorities (in accordance with the provisions of Part VII of the Housing Act 1974) on or before 31st December 1982 and approved by them after 12th April 1982.

3. The appropriate percentage in relation to an application for a grant to which this article applies shall be 90 per cent.

*Contributions by the Secretary of State*

4. Where, in accordance with this order, the appropriate percentage is 90 per cent, the percentage specified in section 78(3)(b) of the Housing Act 1974 is varied by the substitution of 95 per cent in the case of applications for repairs grants and 90 per cent in the case of applications for intermediate grants.

*Michael R. D. Heseltine,*  
Secretary of State for the  
Environment.

20th April 1982.

*Nicholas Edwards,*  
Secretary of State for Wales.

20th April 1982.

We consent

*John Selwyn Gummer,*  
*Alastair Goodlad,*  
Two of the Lords Commissioners  
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

21st April 1982.

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(a) Substituted by section 107 of, and paragraph 4 of Schedule 12 to, the Housing Act 1980 (c.51).

(b) Inserted by section 152 of, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 25 to, the Housing Act 1980.

(c) 1974 c.44.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

The amount of grant for the improvement or repair of a dwelling under Part VII of the Housing Act 1974 (as amended principally by section 107 of and Schedule 12 to the Housing Act 1980) is determined inter alia by the "appropriate percentage" of the cost of the works to be carried out. Section 59 of the 1974 Act provides for this percentage to be ascertained from orders made by the Secretary of State.

Articles 2 and 3 of this order prescribe that the appropriate percentage shall be 90 per cent in the case of applications for intermediate grants and repairs grants made on or before 31st December 1982 and approved after 12th April 1982.

Section 78 of the 1974 Act enables the Secretary of State to make contributions towards grants made under Part VII of that Act. The percentage of the expenses of the local authority which may be contributed can be varied by order, and article 4 of this order enables the Secretary of State to contribute 95 per cent of the expenses of a local authority in making repairs grants and 90 per cent in the case of intermediate grants where the application for the grant was made on or before 31st December 1982 and was approved after 12th April 1982.

Sections 59 and 78 of the 1974 Act enable orders to operate with respect to applications for grant approved after a date specified in the relevant order so long as that date is not earlier than the date of the laying of a draft of the order before Parliament. This order was laid on 22nd March 1982. Previous orders still in force under these sections are S.I. 1980/1735 and S.I. 1981/1712.

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