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Require the British Broadcasting Corporation to publish all invoices for amounts in excess of £500 each quarter; to allow unrestricted access to the Corporation's accounts by the National Audit Office; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Requirements on the BBC

Notwithstanding anything in any enactment or charter the BBC must put in place arrangements to publish all invoices which it has paid of a value of over £500 on a quarterly basis.

2 National Audit Office access and publication arrangements

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The National Audit Office shall have access to the financial transactions and papers of the BBC to the same extent as to government departments, and may make reports to Parliament under the National Audit Act 1983 in the same way as it does for government departments.

3 Short title and commencement

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- (1) This Act may be cited as the BBC (Audit Arrangements and Publication of Invoices) Act 2013.
- (2) This Act shall come into force at the end of the period of two months beginning with the day on which this Act was passed.

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