

Council Tax (New Valuation Lists for England) Bill

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Explanatory notes to the Bill, prepared by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, are published separately as Bill 57 – EN.

EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Mr Secretary Prescott has made the following statement under section 19(1)(a) of the Human Rights Act 1998:

In my view the provisions of the Council Tax (New Valuation Lists for England) Bill are compatible with the Convention rights.

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Make provision about the dates on which new valuation lists for the purposes of council tax must be compiled in relation to billing authorities in England.

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 Dates on which new valuation lists must be compiled for England

- (1) Section 22B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (c. 14) (compilation and maintenance of new valuation lists) is amended as mentioned in subsections (2) to (5).
- (2) After subsection (1) insert— 5
“(1A) A new list must be compiled, in relation to billing authorities in England, on 1 April in each year specified by order made by the Secretary of State.”
- (3) In subsection (2), paragraph (a) (first date on which new valuation list must be compiled in relation to billing authorities in England), and the word “and” following it, are repealed. 10
- (4) In subsection (3) (subsequent dates on which new lists must be compiled)—
 - (a) after “a new list must be compiled” insert “in relation to billing authorities in Wales”;
 - (b) the words from the beginning of paragraph (a) to “Wales,” in paragraph (b) are repealed. 15
- (5) In subsection (11) for “subsection (3)(a)” substitute “subsection (1A)”.
- (6) In section 113 of that Act (orders and regulations), in subsection (3)(a), for “22B(3)(a),” substitute “22B(1A),”.
- (7) In the Local Government Act 2003 (c. 26), in Schedule 7 (minor and consequential amendments), paragraph 52(4) is repealed. 20

2 Short title and extent

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Council Tax (New Valuation Lists for England) Act 2005.
- (2) The amendments and repeals made by this Act have the same extent as the enactments to which they relate.

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*Presented by Mr Secretary Prescott
supported by
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Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer,
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Mr Phil Woolas and Jim Fitzpatrick.*

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