

Housing Corporation (Delegation) etc. Bill

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

The Baroness Andrews has made the following statement under section 19(1)(a) of the Human Rights Act 1998:

In my view the provisions of the Housing Corporation (Delegation) etc. Bill are compatible with the Convention rights.

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Make provision about the delegation of functions by the Housing Corporation and Housing for Wales and about the validation of things done or evidenced by, and the authentication of the fixing of, their seals.

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 Power of Housing Corporation to delegate functions etc.

- (1) In Schedule 6 to the Housing Associations Act 1985 (c. 69) (constitution of Housing Corporation), after paragraph 6 insert—

“Delegation of functions

6A The Housing Corporation may delegate the exercise of any of its functions to any of its members, committees, sub-committees or employees.” 5

- (2) The Housing Corporation is to be taken to have been authorised, at all times before the passing of this Act, to delegate the exercise of any of its functions to any of its members, committees, sub-committees or employees; and Housing for Wales is to be taken to have been so authorised at all times before its abolition. 10

- (3) Anything which purports to have been done before the passing of this Act by the Housing Corporation or Housing for Wales is to be taken to have been validly done if done or evidenced by a document duly executed under its seal. 15

- (4) If the fixing of the seal of the Housing Corporation or Housing for Wales has, at any time before the passing of this Act, been authenticated by the signature of any of its members or employees it is to be regarded as having been properly authenticated.

2 Short title and extent 20

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Housing Corporation (Delegation) etc. Act 2006.

- (2) This Act extends to England and Wales and Scotland.

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