



# Deregulation Act 2015

## 2015 CHAPTER 20

*Measures affecting business: particular areas*

### **10 Taxis and private hire vehicles: duration of licences**

- (1) The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 53 (drivers' licences for hackney carriages and private hire vehicles)—
  - (a) in subsection (1)(a), for “for such lesser period as the district council may specify in such licence” substitute “for such lesser period, specified in the licence, as the district council think appropriate in the circumstances of the case”;
  - (b) in subsection (1)(b), for “for such lesser period as they may specify in such licence” substitute “for such lesser period, specified in the licence, as the district council think appropriate in the circumstances of the case”.
- (3) In section 55 (licensing of operators of private hire vehicles), for subsection (2) substitute—
  - “(2) Every licence granted under this section shall remain in force for five years or for such lesser period, specified in the licence, as the district council think appropriate in the circumstances of the case.”