
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No. 2602

The Equality Act 2006 (Dissolution of Commissions and Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007

Transitional provisions: the Commission and the functions of the former Commissions

- 5.—(1) The Commission shall discharge the functions of the former Commissions—
- (a) in relation to section 56 of the 1975 Act (annual reports), in so far as those functions relate to the calendar year ending 31st December 2007 and have not been discharged before 1st October 2007, until the Secretary of State has laid a copy of the annual report before Parliament and caused it to be published;
 - (b) in relation to paragraph 16 of Schedule 1 to the 1999 Act (annual reports), in so far as those functions relate to the financial year beginning 1st April 2007 and have not been discharged before 1st October 2007, until the Secretary of State has laid a copy of the annual report before Parliament and caused it to be published;
 - (c) in relation to paragraph 15 of Schedule 3 to the 1975 Act (accounts) and paragraph 15 of Schedule 1 to the 1999 Act (accounts), in so far as those functions relate to the financial year beginning 1st April 2007 and have not been discharged before 1st October 2007, until the Comptroller and Auditor General has laid a copy of the statement of accounts and his report on it before Parliament;
 - (d) in relation to section 46 of the 1976 Act (annual reports), in so far as those functions relate to the calendar years ending 31st December 2006 or 31st December 2007 and have not been discharged before 1st October 2007, until the Secretary of State has laid a copy of the annual report before Parliament and caused it to be published;
 - (e) in relation to paragraph 17 of Schedule 1 to the 1976 Act (accounts), in so far as those functions relate to the financial years beginning 1st April 2006 or 1st April 2007 and have not been discharged before 1st October 2007, until the Comptroller and Auditor General has laid a copy of the statement of accounts and his report on it before Parliament;
 - (f) in relation to sections 57 to 60 of the 1975 Act (investigations) and sections 48 to 51 of the 1976 Act (investigations), in so far as those functions relate to any investigation that has been commenced but not concluded before 1st October 2007, until the Commission delivers its report to the Secretary of State, if required, or the Commission publishes the report or otherwise makes it available for inspection; and
 - (g) in relation to section 70 of the 1975 Act (register of non-discrimination notices) and section 61 of the 1976 Act (register of non-discrimination notices), until 1st October 2013.
- (2) In its application to any investigation to which paragraph (1)(f) applies, paragraph 9(3)(b) of Schedule 1 to the 2006 Act shall have effect as if, after “section 20”, there were inserted “of this Act, section 57 of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 or section 48 of the Race Relations Act 1976”.
- (3) Section 21(1)(a) of the 2006 Act shall apply in relation to an investigation under section 57 of the 1975 Act or section 48 of the 1976 Act as if, after “section 20(1)(a)”, there were inserted “of this Act, section 57 of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 or section 48 of the Race Relations Act 1976”.
- (4) Section 32(8) of the 2006 Act shall apply in relation to notices issued under section 76D of the 1975 Act (specific duties: enforcement) or section 71D of the 1976 Act (general statutory

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duty: compliance notices) as if, after “this section”, there were inserted “, section 76D of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 or section 71D of the Race Relations Act 1976”.