STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1978 No. 473

LICENCES AND LICENSING

The Berkshire County Council Act 1953 (Variation of Licence Fees) Order 1978

Made - - - -	21*st March* 1978
Laid before Parliament	3*rd April* 1978
Coming into Operation	1*st May* 1978

In pursuance of sections 35(2) and 40 of the Local Government Act 1966**(a)**, I hereby make the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Berkshire County Council Act 1953 (Variation of Licence Fees) Order 1978 and shall come into operation on 1st May 1978.

2. The Interpretation Act 1889**(b)** shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament, and as if this Order and the Order revoked by this Order were Acts of Parliament.

3. Section 74(7) of the Berkshire County Council Act 1953**(c)** (which relates to the fees payable for music and dancing licences), as amended**(d)**, shall be amended as follows:—

(*a*) in paragraph (*a*) the words "£20" shall be substituted for the words "£5";

(*b*) in paragraph (*b*) the words "£5" and "£20" shall be substituted for the words "£1.25" and "£5" respectively;

(*c*) in paragraph (*c*) the words "£5" shall be substituted for the words "£1.25";

(*d*) in paragraph (*d*) the words "£2" shall be substituted for the words "25p".

4. The Berkshire County Council Act 1953 (Variation of Licence Fees) Order 1975**(d)** is hereby revoked.

Merlyn Rees,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office.
21st March 1978.

(a) 1966 c. 42. **(b)** 1889 c. 63. **(c)** 1953 c. xli. **(d)** S.I. 1975/336.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

Section 35(2) of the Local Government Act 1966 provides for the amendment, by order, of any enactment mentioned in Part II of Schedule 3 to the Act so as to vary any sum specified by that enactment. The enactments mentioned in Part II include any provision of a local Act specifying a fee in respect of a licence relating to the provision of music or dancing or any other entertainment of the like kind.

This Order amends section 74 of the Berkshire County Council Act 1953 (music and dancing licences) to increase the maximum fees which may be fixed by the local authority as payable on application for the grant or renewal of licences for various purposes. The maximum fees prescribed are £20 in respect of a period of not less than a year, £5 in respect of a period of up to a month or for an occasional licence and £2 for the transfer of a licence.

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