STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1982 No. 905

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Housing Benefits (Rate Support Grant) Order 1982

Made - - -	*2nd July* 1982
Laid before Parliament	*8th July* 1982
Coming into Operation	*29th July* 1982

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 34(2) and 45(2) of the Social Security and Housing Benefits Act 1982(**a**) (the "1982 Act") and section 166(2) of the Social Security Act 1975(**b**) (as applied by section 45(1) of the 1982 Act) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf and with the consent of the Treasury, hereby makes the following order:—

1. This order may be cited as the Housing Benefits (Rate Support Grant) Order 1982 and shall come into operation on 29th July 1982.

2. Such proportion of the following items as are taken into account for the purposes of article 2 of the Housing Benefits (Subsidy) (No. 1) Order(**c**) under article 4 thereof shall not count as relevant expenditure for the purposes of section 54 of the Local Government Planning and Land Act 1980(**d**) for the initial year:—

(i) the costs of administering rate rebates incurred by a rating authority;

(ii) such proportion of the rate fund contribution under section 34(1) of the 1982 Act, made by a local authority or the Greater London Council, as relates to the costs of administering rent rebates;

(iii) the costs of administering rent rebates (other than Housing Revenue Account rebates) incurred by a local authority or the Greater London Council; and

(iv) the costs of administering rent allowances incurred by a local authority.

3. Such proportion of the following items as are taken into account for the purposes of article 3 of the Housing Benefits (Subsidy) (No. 2) Order(**e**) under articles 6 and 7 thereof shall not count as relevant expenditure for the purposes of

(**a**) 1982 c.24. (**b**) 1975 c.14. (**c**) S.I. 1982/903.
(**d**) 1980 c.65. (**e**) S.I. 1982/904.

section 54 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 for the financial year beginning on 1st April 1983:—

(i) the costs of administering rate rebates incurred by a rating authority;

(ii) such proportion of the rate fund contribution under section 34(1) of the 1982 Act, made by a local authority or the Greater London Council, as relates to the costs of administering rent rebates;

(iii) the costs of administering rent rebates (other than housing revenue account rebates) incurred by a local authority or the Greater London Council; and

(iv) the costs of administering rent allowances incurred by a local authority.

Signed by Authority of the Secretary of State for Social Services.

Hugh Rossi,
Minister for Social Security,
Department of Health and Social Security.

1st July 1982.

We consent,

P. L. Brooke,
J. A. Cope,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

2nd July 1982.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order.*)

This Order provides that an authority's costs of administering housing benefit shall not count as relevant expenditure for rate support grant purposes to the extent that subsidy under orders made under section 32 of the Social Security and Housing Benefits Act 1982 for the initial year (the year ending on 31st March 1983) and the year beginning on 1st April 1983 is payable in respect of them.

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