STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1977 No. 576 (C. 22)

POLICE

The Police Act 1976 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1977

Made - - - - 28*th March* 1977

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 13(1) and (2) of the Police Act 1976(a), I hereby make the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Police Act 1976 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1977.

2. All the provisions of the Police Act 1976 which have not previously come into force shall, save as provided in Article 3 below, come into force on 1st June 1977 and, accordingly, the provisions specified in the first column of Schedule 1 to this Order (which relate to matters specified in the second column thereof) shall come into force on that date.

3. The provisions of section 7 of the Police Act 1976 (constabularies maintained by authorities other than police authorities) shall come into force on 1st September 1977.

4. The transitional provisions contained in Schedule 2 to this Order shall have effect in connection with the provisions brought into force by this Order.

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

Home Office,
Whitehall.
28th March 1977.

(a) 1976 c. 46.

SCHEDULE 1

PROVISIONS COMING INTO FORCE ON 1ST JUNE 1977

Provisions of the Act	Subject matter of provisions
Section 2	Reference to Police Complaints Board of complaint reports.
Section 3	Powers of Board as to disciplinary charges.
Section 4	Disciplinary tribunals.
Section 5	Complaints that may involve disciplinary proceedings.
Section 6	Complaints regulations.
Section 8	Reports.
Section 10	Discipline regulations.
Section 11	Disciplinary charges in criminal cases.
Section 12	Disciplinary appeals.

SCHEDULE 2

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

Section 2 of the Police Act 1976 (reference to Police Complaints Board of report of an investigation into a complaint under section 49 of the Police Act 1964) shall not apply in relation to a complaint made against a member of a police force in respect of his conduct before the coming into force of the said section 2 on 1st June 1977.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, first, brings into force all the provisions of the Police Act 1976 not previously brought into force and, secondly, by way of transitional provision, provides that section 2 of the Act (references to the Police Complaints Board) shall not apply in relation to a complaint about an incident which occurred before the coming into force of section 2.

The provisions in question (including section 2) are brought into force on 1st June 1977 except that section 7 (constabularies other than regular police forces) is brought into force three months later on 1st September 1977.

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