Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 198(7) of the Housing Act 1996, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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HOUSING, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Homelessness (Decisions on Referrals) Order 1998

Made - - - -	*1998*
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The Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, as respects England, and the Secretary of State for Wales, as respects Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 198(5) and (6)(a) of the Housing Act 1996(**1**) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order, a draft of which has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Homelessness (Decisions on Referrals) Order 1998 and shall come into force on the twenty eighth day after the day on which it is approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

Arrangements for deciding whether conditions for referral are satisfied

2. The arrangements set out in the Schedule to this Order are those agreed by the Local Government Association, the Welsh Local Government Association, the Association of London Government and the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities(**2**), and shall be the arrangements for the purposes of section 198(5) and (6)(a) of the Housing Act 1996.

Revocation of order

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Housing (Homeless Persons) (Appropriate Arrangements) Order 1978(**3**) ("the 1978 Order") is hereby revoked.

(2) The 1978 Order shall remain in force for any case where a notified authority has received a notification under section 67(1) of the Housing Act 1985(**4**) or section 198(1) of the Housing Act

(**1**) 1996 c. 52.
(**2**) *see* sections 201 and 217 of the Housing Act 1996.
(**3**) S.I.1978/69.
(**4**) The repeal of Part III of the Housing Act 1985 (c. 68), which includes section 67, commenced by the Housing Act 1996 (Commencement No. 5 and Transitional Provisions) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/2959 (C.88)) does not, by virtue of paragraph

1996 (referral to another local housing authority) prior to the date on which this Order comes into force.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions

Minister of State,
Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions
1998

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Wales

Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Welsh Office
1998

1 of the Schedule to that Order, apply to applicants under Part III of the Housing Act 1985 whose applications were made before 20th January 1997.