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TO

Make provision in respect of transport for patients attending National Health Service hospitals and health care facilities.

B E IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Patient Transport Services

(1) It shall be the duty of Primary Care Trusts, hospital trusts and local transport authorities to co-operate with each other in order to co-ordinate the provision of patient transport services provided by Primary Care Trusts and hospital trusts with the provision of other passenger transport services within the areas over which the trusts have responsibility.

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(2) In fulfilling the duty referred to in subsection (1), Primary Care Trusts, hospital trusts and local transport authorities shall have regard to the efficiency and economy of providing patient transport services, both from the point of view of the users of such services and the service providers.

(3) Primary Care Trusts, hospital trusts and local transport authorities must include in their annual reports a section detailing how they have fulfilled the

(4) In this Act—

"local transport authorities" shall have the same meaning as in section 108(4) of the Transport Act 2000;

"Primary Care Trusts" means any Primary Care Trusts established under section 18 of the National Health Service Act 2006.

2 Commencement, extent and short title

duty referred to in subsection (1).

- (1) This Act shall come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument appoint.
- (2) This Act extends to England and Wales only.
- (3) This Act may be cited as the Patient Transport Act 2010.

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