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Note on Subsidiary Legislation

This Chapter contains no subsidiary legislation.

Note on Adaptation

Under paragraph 6 of the Second Schedule to the Law Revision Act (Ch. 3:03) the Commission amended certain references to public officers in this Chapter. The Minister’s approval of the amendments was signified by LN 120/1980, but no marginal reference is made to this Notice where any such amendment is made in the text.
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An Act to provide for the making of Grants and Loans by Government to City and Borough Councils.

[30TH APRIL 1953]

1. This Act may be cited as the Local Authorities Grants and Loans Act.

2. Grants approved by Parliament may be made by the Minister to local authorities being City and Borough Councils for each of the purposes set out in sections 3 to 6 and in accordance with such Regulations as the Minister may from time to time prescribe.

3. In each year ending the 31st December, the grant provided in the annual estimates for payment to the Councils towards the approved net expenditure on the health services authorised by the Public Health Ordinance, shall be a sum equivalent to fifty per cent of such expenditure.

4. In each year ending the 31st December, the grant provided in the annual estimates for payment to the Councils towards the approved cost of maintenance of roads shall be a sum not less than fifty per cent of such cost, except that in respect of each of the years ending on 31st December 1953 and 31st December 1954 there shall be paid—

(a) in the case of the Port-of-Spain Corporation the sum of not less than forty thousand dollars over and above the sums actually paid from public funds to the Corporation for motor vehicles licence fees for 1949;

(b) in the case of the San Fernando Corporation the sum of not less than thirteen thousand five hundred dollars over and above the sums actually paid from public funds to the Corporation for motor vehicles licence fees for 1949;
(c) in the case of the Arima Corporation the sum of
not less than one thousand eight hundred dollars
over and above the sums actually paid from public
funds to the Corporation for motor vehicles
licence fees for 1949,

and in the year ending the 31st December 1954 the payments
authorised under this section shall be reviewed, and in respect of
the year 1955 and subsequent years, shall be in accordance with
the provisions made in the estimates by Parliament.

5. (1) In each year ending the 31st December, the grant to
be paid to the Councils from public funds for the purpose of general
aid shall not exceed the rates detailed in column 3 of the table
given below:

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<th>Grant per head of population</th>
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<td>Over seventy-five dollars</td>
<td>Nil</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Over thirty dollars and not over sixty dollars</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Thirty dollars and under</td>
<td>$1.00</td>
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(2) Where because of a rise in rateable value per head in
any year the grant per head of population would be reduced, the
reduction shall not exceed the sum of two cents per head of
population for each one dollar per head of population by which
the rateable value per head exceeds the minimum rateable value in
the appropriate grade.

(3) Grants payable under this section shall be applied to
the relief of rates generally.
(4) The formula for determining the sums to be paid as general aid grants shall be reviewed after the expiry of the period terminating on 31st December 1954.

6. Grants may be made out of public funds towards the cost of approved capital works to be carried out by the Councils provided that such grants shall be made on such terms and conditions as the Minister may from time to time determine.

7. Loans may be made to local authorities to defray expenditure on capital works within the provision made in the annual estimates in each year. Loans made under this section shall be made upon such terms and conditions as the Minister may from time to time determine.

8. The Comptroller of Accounts shall deduct from all or any of the payments of grants authorised in this Act any sums due to the Government by any of the Councils.

9. In sections 3, 4 and 6, the word “approved” means “approved by the Minister”.