

## Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 2018 asp 5

## PART 1

OFFENCE AS TO DOMESTIC ABUSE

Evidence, aggravation and defence

## 4 Evidence of impact on victim

- (1) The commission of an offence under section 1(1) does not depend on the course of behaviour actually causing B to suffer harm of the sort mentioned in section 1(2).
- (2) The operation of section 2(2)(b) does not depend on behaviour directed at someone actually having on B any of the relevant effects set out in section 2(3).
- (3) Nothing done by or mentioned in subsection (1) or (2) prevents evidence from being led in proceedings for an offence under section 1(1) about (as the case may be)—
  - (a) harm actually suffered by B as a result of the course of behaviour, or
  - (b) effects actually had on B of behaviour directed at someone.