



Administration of Justice Act 1977

1977 CHAPTER 38

PART III

OTHER PROVISIONS

Scotland

29 Admission of written statements and reports

- (1) In section 16 of the Administration of Justice (Scotland) Act 1933, there shall be substituted for paragraph (e)—
- “(e) to provide in any category of causes before the Court, for the admission in lieu of parole evidence of written statements (including affidavits) and reports, on such conditions as may be prescribed.”.
- (2) In section 32(1)(e) of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971, there shall be substituted for " affidavits " the words " written statements (including affidavits) and reports " .

Northern Ireland

30 Increase in limits on jurisdiction under s. 68 of Lunacy Regulation (Ireland) Act 1871

- (1) In section 68 of the Lunacy Regulation (Ireland) Act 1871 (under which, where the property of a lunatic does not exceed £10,000 in value or the income thereof £500 per annum, an order may be made protecting the property or income or applying it for his benefit without an inquiry under a commission of lunacy) for " ten thousand pounds " and " five hundred pounds " there shall be substituted " £20,000 " and " £2,000 " respectively.
- (2) The said section 68 shall be renumbered so as to become subsection (1).
- (3) The following subsections shall be inserted after it:—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- “(2) If it appears to Her Majesty in Council that a sum for the time being specified in subsection (1) above should be increased, Her Majesty may by Order in Council substitute for that sum such larger sum as may be specified in the Order.
- (3) The power to make an Order under subsection (2) above includes power to vary or revoke a previous Order.
- (4) An Order in Council made under subsection (2) above shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.”.

Supplementary

31 Financial provision

All expenses incurred by any Minister of the Crown in consequence of the provisions of this Act shall be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament.

32 Citation etc.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Administration of Justice Act 1977.
- (2) The Oaths Acts 1888 to 1961 and section 8 above may be cited together as the Oaths Acts 1888 to 1977.
- (3) Any reference in this Act to any enactment is a reference to it as amended or applied by or under any other enactment, including this Act.
- (4) The enactments specified in Schedule 5 to this Act (which include enactments which were obsolete or unnecessary before the passing of this Act) shall be repealed to the extent specified in the third column of that Schedule.
- (5) The following provisions of this Act shall come into force at the expiration of a period of one month beginning with the date on which it is passed:—
- sections 1 and 2;
 - sections 4 to 13 ;
 - section 16;
 - section 17(2);
 - section 19(4);
 - section 21 ;
 - section 22;
 - sections 24 to 26 ;
 - section 29;
 - section 30.
- (6) The provisions of this Act, except section 31 above, this section and the sections mentioned in subsection (5) above, shall come into force on such day as the Lord Chancellor may by order made by statutory instrument appoint.
- (7) An order under subsection (6) above—
- (a) may appoint different days for different provisions and for different purposes ;
 - and

- (b) may make savings from the effect of any provision which it brings into force.
- (8) The following provisions of this Act extend to England and Wales only, namely—
section 1(1) and Part I of Schedule 1;
section 2(1) and Part I of Schedule 2 ;
sections 9 to 22 ;
section 23 and Schedule 4 ;
sections 24 to 28;
subsections (4) and (5) above so far as they relate to any enactment which extends to England and Wales only;
paragraphs 1, 3 and 10 of Schedule 3.
- (9) The following provisions of this Act extend to Scotland only, namely—
section 1(2) and Part II of Schedule 1;
section 2(2), and in Schedule 2, Part II and paragraph 11 ;
section 29;
subsections (4) and (5) above so far as they relate to any enactment which extends to Scotland only.
- (10) The following provisions of this Act extend to Northern Ireland only, namely—
section 30;
subsection (5) above, so far as it relates to any enactment which extends to Northern Ireland only;
paragraph 12 of Schedule 2.
- (11) Section 6 above extends only to England and Wales and Scotland.
- (12) Subsection (4) above, so far as it relates to any of the court-martial enactments, extends to any territory to which that enactment extends.
- (13) In subsection (12) above " the court-martial enactments " means—
section 102 of the Army Act 1955 ;
section 102 of the Air Force Act 1955 ; and
section 60 of the Naval Discipline Act 1957.