



# Criminal Procedure (Attendance of Witnesses) Act 1965

## 1965 CHAPTER 69

*F1 Other provisions*

### **3 Punishment for disobedience to witness order or witness summons.**

(1) Any person who without just excuse disobeys a <sup>F1</sup> . . . witness summons requiring him to attend before any court shall be guilty of contempt of that court and may be punished summarily by that court as if his contempt had been committed in the face of the court.

[<sup>F2</sup>(1A) Any person who without just excuse disobeys a requirement made by any court under section 2A above shall be guilty of contempt of that court and may be punished summarily by that court as if his contempt had been committed in the face of the court.]

(2) No person shall by reason of [<sup>F3</sup>any disobedience mentioned in subsection (1) or (1A) above] be liable to imprisonment for a period exceeding three months.

(3) . . . . . <sup>F4</sup>

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in s. 3(1) repealed (4.7.1996) by 1996 c. 25, s. 65(2)(a), (4), 80, Sch. 5 para. 2 (with s 78(1))
- F2** S. 3(1A) inserted (4.7.1996) by 1996 c. 25, s. 66(3)(7) (with s 78(1))
- F3** Words in s. 3(2) substituted (4.7.1996) by 1996 c. 25, s. 66(4)(7) (with s 78(1))
- F4** Ss. 3(3), 5, 6, 7(1) repealed by Courts Act 1971 (c. 23), Sch. 11 Pt. IV

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Criminal Procedure (Attendance of Witnesses) Act 1965, Section 3.