

Children Act 1975

1975 CHAPTER 72

PART II

CUSTODY

Custodianship orders

39 Reports by local authorities and probation officers

- (1) A court dealing with an application made under this Part, or an application which is treated as if made under section 33, may request—
 - (a) a local authority to arrange for an officer of the authority, or
 - (b) a probation officer,

to make to the court a report, orally or in writing, with respect to any specified matter which appears to the court to be relevant to the application, and it shall be the duty of the local authority or probation officer to comply with the request.

(2) Subsections (2) to (6) of section 6 of the Guardianship Act 1973 shall apply in relation to reports which are requested by magistrates' courts under this section as they apply to reports under subsection (1) of that section.