



# Patents Act 1977

## 1977 CHAPTER 37

### PART III

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

##### *Legal Proceedings*

#### **100 Burden of proof in certain cases**

- (1) If the invention for which a patent is granted is a process for obtaining a new product, the same product produced by a person other than the proprietor of the patent or a licensee of his shall, unless the contrary is proved, be taken in any proceedings to have been obtained by that process.
- (2) In considering whether a party has discharged the burden imposed upon him by this section, the court shall not require him to disclose any manufacturing or commercial secrets if it appears to the court that it would be unreasonable to do so.