



Family Law Act 1986

1986 CHAPTER 55

PART IV

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

69 Short title, commencement and extent.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Family Law Act 1986.
- (2) Sections 64 to 67 of this Act shall come into force at the end of the period of two months beginning with the day on which this Act is passed.
- (3) Subject to subsection (2) above, this Act shall come into force on such day as the relevant Minister or Ministers may by order made by statutory instrument appoint; and different days may be so appointed for different provisions or for different purposes.
- (4) In subsection (3) above “the relevant Minister or Ministers” means—
 - (a) in the case of an order which appoints a day only for Part III of this Act and its associated amendments and repeals, the Lord Chancellor;
 - (b) in any other case, the Lord Chancellor and the Lord Advocate.
- (5) The following provisions of this Act, namely—
 - Chapter II of Part I;
 - section 53;
 - Part III;
 - sections 64 and 65;
 - section 68 (3); and
 - paragraphs 9 to 17, 19 and 23 to 27 of Schedule 1 and section 68(1) so far as relating to those paragraphs,extend to England and Wales only.
- (6) The following provisions of this Act, namely—
 - Chapter III of Part I;
 - section 26; and

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paragraphs 1, 3 to 8, 18, 21 and 22 of Schedule 1 and section 68(1) so far as relating to those paragraphs,

extend to Scotland only; and sections 34 and 38 of this Act do not extend to Scotland.

(7) The following provisions of this Act, namely—

Chapter IV of Part I;

section 66;

section 68(4); and

paragraphs 2 and 32 to 34 of Schedule 1 and section 68(1) so far as relating to those paragraphs,

extend to Northern Ireland only; and paragraph 20 of Schedule 1 to this Act and section 68(1) of this Act so far as relating to that paragraph do not extend to Northern Ireland.