



Family Law Reform Act 1987

1987 CHAPTER 42

PART II

RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF PARENTS ETC.

Parental rights and duties: general

2 Construction of enactments relating to parental rights and duties.

(1) In the following enactments, namely—

- ^{F1}(a)
- (b) section 6 of the Family Law Reform Act ^{M1}1969;
- (c) the Guardianship of Minors Act ^{M2}1971 (in this Act referred to as “the 1971 Act”);
- (d) Part I of the Guardianship Act 1973 (in this Act referred to as “the 1973 Act”);
- (e) Part II of the Children Act 1975;
- (f) the Child Care Act 1980 except Part I and sections 13, 24, 64 and 65;
- ^{F2}(g)

references (however expressed) to any relationship between two persons shall be construed in accordance with section 1 above.

(2) In subsection (7) of section 1 of the 1973 Act (equality of parental rights) for the words from “or be taken” to the end there shall be substituted the words “ and nothing in subsection (1) above shall be taken as applying in relation to a child whose father and mother were not married to each other at the time of his birth ”.

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 2(1)(a) repealed (6.4.2009 except in relation to local authorities in W. except in relation to local authorities in W., 6.4.2009 for W.) by [Health and Social Care Act 2008 \(c. 14\)](#), s. 170(3)(4), [Sch. 15 Pt. 5](#) (with [Sch. 13](#)); [S.I. 2009/462](#), art. 4(c); [S.I. 2009/631](#), art. 2(c); [S.I. 2009/462](#), art. 4(c); [S.I. 2009/631](#), art. 2(c)

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Family Law Reform Act 1987, Cross Heading: Parental rights and duties: general. (See end of Document for details)*

F2 S. 2(1)(g) repealed (01.07.1992) by [Social Security \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1992 \(c. 6\), ss. 3, 7\(2\), Sch. 1](#) (subject as mentioned (06.03.1992) in [Local Government Finance Act 1992 \(c. 14\), s. 118\(5\)\(7\)](#) (with s. 118(1)(2)(4))).

Marginal Citations

M1 1969 c. 36.
M2 1971 c. 3.

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Textual Amendments

F3 S. 3 repealed (14.10.1991) by [Children Act 1989 \(c. 41, SIF 20\), s. 108, Sch.15](#) (with Sch. 14 paras. 1(1), 27(4)); S.I. 1991/828, [art. 3\(2\)](#)

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