



Court of Session Act 1988

1988 CHAPTER 36

PART IV

OTHER CAUSES

Summary trials

26 Summary trials.

- (1) The parties to any dispute or question to which this section applies may present a petition in the Outer House setting out the dispute or question and craving that it may be decided by a particular Lord Ordinary, and any such petition shall stand referred to such Lord Ordinary for his determination of the dispute or question.
- (2) The parties to any action in dependence in the Outer House not affecting the status of any person may agree by joint minute, or in such other manner as may be prescribed, that the provisions of this section shall apply to the action, and thereafter those provisions shall apply accordingly.
- (3) Provision shall be made by act of sederunt under [^{F1}section 103(1) of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014] for securing that causes under this section shall be disposed of with as little delay as possible.
- (4) This section shall apply to any dispute or question not affecting the status of any person which might competently be the subject of any cause in the Outer House, or which might competently have been the subject of any such cause but for [^{F2}section 39 of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014].

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 26(3) substituted (1.4.2015) by [Courts Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(asp 18\)](#), s. 138(2), [Sch. 5 para. 30\(4\)](#); [S.S.I. 2015/77](#), art. 2(2)(3), Sch.
- F2** Words in s. 26(4) substituted (22.9.2015) by [The Courts Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Consequential Provisions No. 2\) Order 2015 \(S.S.I. 2015/338\)](#), art. 1, [Sch. 1 para. 1](#)

Changes to legislation:

Court of Session Act 1988, Cross Heading: Summary trials is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 10 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 27(1A) added by [2024 asp 1 s. 7\(13\)](#)