Criminal Procedure (Insanity and Unfitness to Plead) Act 1991

1991 CHAPTER 25

1 Acquittals on grounds of insanity.

(1) A jury shall not return a special verdict under section 2 of the [M1]Trial of Lunatics Act 1883 (acquittal on ground of insanity) except on the written or oral evidence of two or more registered medical practitioners at least one of whom is duly approved.

(2) Subsections (2) and (3) of section 54 of the [M2]Mental Health Act 1983 ("the 1983 Act") shall have effect with respect to proof of the accused's mental condition for the purposes of the said section 2 as they have effect with respect to proof of an offender's mental condition for the purposes of section 37(2)(a) of that Act.

Commencement Information

I1 S. 1 wholly in force at 1.1.1992 see s. 9(2) and S.I. 1991/2488, **art. 2**.

Marginal Citations

M1 1883 c. 38.

M2 1983 c. 20.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Criminal Procedure (Insanity and Unfitness to Plead) Act 1991, Section 1.