RACE RELATIONS (AMENDMENT) ACT 2000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

Section 5: Criminal Investigations and Proceedings

Section 57(4A)

51. Section 57(2) of the 1976 Act provides that, when a claim is brought in a designated county court (a sheriff court in Scotland), all remedies are obtainable that would be obtainable in the High Court (the Court of Session in Scotland). New section 57(4A) restricts the ability of the court to grant certain remedies to a claimant when the claim is brought under section 19B against a public investigator or public prosecutor. There is no limitation on the court's ability to grant a remedy of damages or a declaration (a declarator in Scotland). But the section limits the power of the court to grant other remedies, for example injunctive relief, unless it is satisfied that such a remedy would not prejudice a criminal investigation, a decision to institute criminal proceedings, or any criminal proceedings.