



Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

2005 CHAPTER 15

PART 2

INVESTIGATIONS, PROSECUTIONS, PROCEEDINGS AND PROCEEDS OF CRIME

CHAPTER 4

PROTECTION OF WITNESSES AND OTHER PERSONS

90 Protection from liability

- (1) This section applies if—
 - (a) arrangements are made for the protection of a person under section 82(1), and
 - (b) the protected person assumes a new identity in pursuance of the arrangements.
- (2) No proceedings (whether civil or criminal) may be brought against a person to whom this section applies in respect of the making by him of a false or misleading representation if the representation—
 - (a) relates to the protected person, and
 - (b) is made solely for the purpose of ensuring that the arrangements made for him to assume a new identity are, or continue to be, effective.
- (3) The persons to whom this section applies are—
 - (a) the protected person;
 - (b) a person who is associated with the protected person;
 - (c) a protection provider;
 - (d) a person involved in the making of arrangements under section 82(1) or in the implementation, variation or cancellation of such arrangements.

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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 90 in force at 1.4.2006 except to the extent that it extends to S. by S.I. 2005/1521, **art. 5(1)**
- I2** S. 90 in force at 1.4.2006 for S. by S.S.I. 2006/166, **art. 2(1)(b)**

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Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

Commencement Orders bringing provisions within this Act into force:

- [S.I. 2006/2182 art. 3](#) amendment to earlier commencing SI 2006/1871