



Mental Health (Discrimination) Act 2013

2013 CHAPTER 8

1 Members of Parliament etc.

- (1) Section 141 of the Mental Health Act 1983 (disqualification of MPs and members of devolved bodies on grounds of mental illness) is repealed.
- (2) Any rule of the common law which disqualifies a person from membership of the House of Commons on grounds of mental illness is abolished.
- (3) The Schedule (which includes amendments and repeals consequential on subsection (1)) has effect.

2 Jurors

- (1) In section 1 of the Juries Act 1974 (qualification for jury service)—
 - (a) in subsection (1), omit paragraph (c) (but not the “and” after it),
 - (b) omit subsection (2), and
 - (c) in subsection (3), for “Part 2 of that Schedule” substitute “ Schedule 1 ”.
- (2) In Schedule 1 to that Act (the title to which becomes “ Persons Disqualified for Jury Service ”, with the title to Part 1 becoming “Persons subject to Mental Health Act 1983 or Mental Capacity Act 2005” and the title to Part 2 becoming “Other Persons Disqualified for Jury Service”), for paragraph 1 substitute—

“1 A person for the time being liable to be detained under the Mental Health Act 1983.

1A A person for the time being resident in a hospital on account of mental disorder as defined by the Mental Health Act 1983.”

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Mental Health (Discrimination) Act 2013. (See end of Document for details)

Commencement Information

II S. 2 in force at 15.7.2013 by S.I. 2013/1694, art. 2

3 Company directors

- (1) In the Companies (Model Articles) Regulations 2008 (S.I. 2008/3229), omit the following provisions (model articles of association: termination of director's appointment on grounds of mental health)—
 - (a) in Schedule 1, paragraph 18(e),
 - (b) in Schedule 2, paragraph 18(e), and
 - (c) in Schedule 3, paragraph 22(e).
- (2) In the RTM Companies (Model Articles) (England) Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/2767), in the Schedule, omit paragraph 23(e) (model articles of association: termination of director's appointment on grounds of mental health).
- (3) In the RTM Companies (Model Articles) (Wales) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/2680), omit the following provisions (model articles of association: termination of director's appointment on grounds of mental health)—
 - (a) in Schedule 1, paragraph 23(e), and
 - (b) in Schedule 2, paragraph 23(d).

4 Commencement, extent and short title

- (1) Sections 1 and 3 come into force at the end of two months beginning with the day on which this Act is passed.
- (2) Section 2 comes into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument appoint; and an order under this subsection may include savings or transitional provisions.
- (3) An amendment, repeal or revocation made by this Act has the same extent as the provision amended, repealed or revoked.
- (4) The other provisions of this Act extend to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.
- (5) This Act may be cited as the Mental Health (Discrimination) Act 2013.

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