



# Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010

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## PART 2

### CRIMINAL LAW

#### *Slavery, servitude and forced or compulsory labour*

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- (1) A person (“A”) commits an offence if—
  - (a) A holds another person in slavery or servitude and the circumstances are such that A knows or ought to know that the person is so held, or
  - (b) A requires another person to perform forced or compulsory labour and the circumstances are such that A knows or ought to know that the person is being required to perform such labour.
- (2) In subsection (1) the references to holding a person in slavery or servitude or requiring a person to perform forced or compulsory labour are to be construed in accordance with Article 4 of the Human Rights Convention (which prohibits a person from being held in slavery or servitude or being required to perform forced or compulsory labour).
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable—
  - (a) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 14 years, or to a fine, or to both,
  - (b) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months, or to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum, or to both.
- (4) In this section “Human Rights Convention” means the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms agreed by the Council of Europe at Rome on 4 November 1950.