



# Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014

## 2014 asp 18

### PART 1

#### SHERIFF COURTS

#### CHAPTER 2

#### JUDICIARY OF THE SHERIFFDOMS

##### *Temporary and part-time judiciary*

#### **7 Temporary sheriff principal: further provision**

- (1) Subject to subsection (3), an individual's appointment as a temporary sheriff principal lasts until recalled under subsection (2).
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must, if requested to do so by the Lord President of the Court of Session, recall the appointment of a temporary sheriff principal.
- (3) A sheriff's appointment as a temporary sheriff principal ceases if the sheriff—
  - (a) ceases to hold office as sheriff, or
  - (b) is suspended from office as sheriff.
- (4) Subject to section 6(4)(b), a temporary sheriff principal of a sheriffdom may exercise the jurisdiction and powers that attach to the office of sheriff principal of the sheriffdom, and does not need a commission for that purpose.
- (5) The appointment of a sheriff as a temporary sheriff principal does not affect the sheriff's appointment as sheriff.
- (6) Where a sheriff of one sheriffdom ("sheriffdom A") is appointed as temporary sheriff principal of another sheriffdom ("sheriffdom B")—
  - (a) the sheriff must not, while remaining temporary sheriff principal of sheriffdom B, act in the capacity of sheriff of sheriffdom A, but
  - (b) in addition to the jurisdiction and powers that attach specifically to the office of sheriff principal, the sheriff, by virtue of the appointment as temporary

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sheriff principal of sheriffdom B, may also exercise in that sheriffdom the jurisdiction and powers that attach to the office of sheriff of that sheriffdom.

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**Commencement Information**

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- sch. 1 para. 5A and cross-heading inserted by [2020 asp 9 s. 9](#)
- sch. 1 para. 2(g)(h) inserted by [2021 asp 16 s. 15\(8\)](#)