



# Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Act 2019

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## PART 6

### REVIEW OF AGE OF CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY

#### **78 Review of age of criminal responsibility**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must—
  - (a) during the review period, review the operation of this Act—
    - (i) generally, and
    - (ii) with a view to considering the future age of criminal responsibility, and
  - (b) prepare and publish a report on that review.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must lay a copy of the report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (3) In carrying out the review, the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider appropriate.
- (4) The report on the review must be prepared, published and laid before the Scottish Parliament no later than 12 months after the end of the review period.
- (5) The “review period” is the period of 3 years beginning with the day on which section 1 comes into force.

#### **79 Provision of information**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may, for a purpose mentioned in subsection (2), require a person mentioned in subsection (3) to provide them with such information as the person holds in relation to the exercise of functions under Part 4 of this Act as they consider appropriate.
- (2) The purposes are—
  - (a) the carrying out of the review mentioned in section 78,

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- (b) the monitoring of the exercise of functions under Part 4 following the end of the review period mentioned in that section.
- (3) The persons are—
- (a) the chief constable of the Police Service of Scotland,
  - (b) the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service,
  - (c) a local authority,
  - (d) Children’s Hearings Scotland,
  - (e) the Scottish Children’s Reporter Administration,
  - (f) the Scottish Legal Aid Board,
  - (g) the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service.