



# Vulnerable Witnesses (Criminal Evidence) (Scotland) Act 2019

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## *General*

### **10 Consequential amendments**

- (1) The Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 271A(5), for “section 271B” substitute “sections 271B to 271BZB”.
- (3) In section 271D(7), for “section 271B” substitute “sections 271B to 271BZC”.
- (4) In section 271F(2), after paragraph (a) insert—
  - “(aa) section 271AA applies in relation to the accused with the following modifications—
    - (i) in subsection (1)(a), the reference to a child witness or a deemed vulnerable witness is to be read as if it were a reference to the accused,
    - (ii) in subsections (1) to (5), references to the party citing or intending to cite the witness are to be read as if they were references to the accused,
    - (iii) in subsections (1)(b), (2)(a) and (4), references to the witness are to be read as if they were references to the accused,
    - (iv) subsection (2) has effect as if for paragraphs (b) and (c) there were substituted—
      - “(b) that the notice is lodged by the accused and that the accused is a child witness,
      - (c) the accused’s age, and”, and”.