

# Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2014 2014 asp 1

### Sentencing

#### **PROSPECTIVE**

# 24 Duty to consider making compensation order

In section 249 of the 1995 Act (compensation order against convicted person), after subsection (4) insert—

- "(4A) In any case where it would be competent for the court to make a compensation order, the court must consider whether to make a compensation order.
- (4B) Before making a compensation order, the court must take steps to ascertain the views and wishes of the victim.
- (4C) No compensation order may be made where the victim notifies the court that the victim does not wish to receive compensation from the person convicted of the offence.
- (4D) For the purposes of subsections (4B) and (4C), "victim" has the meaning given by subsections (1A) and (1C).".

#### **Status:**

This version of this provision is prospective.

# **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2014, Section 24.