



Vulnerable Witnesses (Criminal Evidence) (Scotland) Act 2019

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Child witnesses

2 Child witnesses under the age of 12

(1) The Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 is amended as follows.

(2) In section 271B—

(a) after subsection (4), insert—

“(4A) Where the court is required to make an order having the effect mentioned in subsection (4), an order made by the court under section 271A(5)(a) may authorise the use of a special measure or measures other than those specified in the vulnerable witness notice if that would result in the order having the effect mentioned in subsection (4).”

(b) after subsection (6), insert—

“(7) This section does not apply in a case to which section 271BZA applies.”

(3) In section 271A—

(a) in subsection (9), for “At” substitute “ Subject to section 271B, at ”,

(b) in subsection (10), for “The court” substitute “ Subject to section 271B, the court ”.

Commencement Information

II S. 2 in force at 20.1.2020 by S.S.I. 2019/392, reg. 2, sch.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Vulnerable Witnesses (Criminal Evidence) (Scotland) Act 2019, Section 2.