
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 168

**The Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland)
Act 2004 (Commencement) Order 2005**

Savings and Transitions

4.—(1) The provisions of the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004 brought into force by this Order shall, in respect of solemn proceedings in the High Court and the sheriff court, apply only to solemn proceedings commenced on or after 1st April 2005, with proceedings being taken to have commenced when a report of the case has been received by the procurator fiscal.

(2) Part 2 of the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004, commenced by this Order in respect of children's hearings court proceedings, shall apply only in respect of hearings of relevant appeals and applications which have been lodged on or after 1st April 2005.