



Prisons (Scotland) Act 1989

1989 CHAPTER 45

Central administration

9 Appointment of prison ministers.

- (1) Where in any prison the number of prisoners who belong to a religious denomination other than the Church of Scotland is such as in the opinion of the Secretary of State to require the appointment of a minister of that denomination, the Secretary of State may appoint such a minister to that prison.
- (2) The Secretary of State may pay a minister appointed under the foregoing subsection such remuneration as he thinks reasonable.
- (3) The Secretary of State may allow a minister of any denomination other than the Church of Scotland to visit prisoners of his denomination in a prison to which no minister of that denomination has been appointed under this section.
- (4) No prisoner shall be visited against his will by such a minister as is mentioned in the last foregoing subsection; but every prisoner not belonging to the Church of Scotland shall be allowed, in accordance with the arrangements in force in the prison in which he is confined, to attend chapel or to be visited by the chaplain.
- (5) The governor of a prison shall on the reception of each prisoner record the religious denomination to which the prisoner declares himself to belong, and shall give to any minister who under this section is appointed to the prison or permitted to visit prisoners therein a list of the prisoners who have declared themselves to belong to his denomination; and the minister shall not be permitted to visit any other prisoners.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 S. 9 excluded (18.9.1998) by [S.I. 1998/2251](#), [art. 16\(1\)](#)

C2 S. 9(5) modified (3.2.1995) by [1994 c. 33](#), [s. 110\(3\)](#); [S.I. 1995/127](#), [art. 2\(1\)](#), [Sch. 1](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Prisons (Scotland) Act 1989, Section 9.