

# Criminal Justice Act 1991

## **1991 CHAPTER 53**

### PART IV

#### **PROVISION OF SERVICES**

#### Prisoner escorts

#### 81 Monitoring etc. of prisoner escort arrangements

- (1) Prisoner escort arrangements shall include the appointment of-
  - (a) a prisoner escort monitor, that is to say, a Crown servant whose duty it shall be to keep the arrangements under review and to report on them to the Secretary of State; and
  - (b) a panel of lay observers whose duty it shall be to inspect the conditions in which prisoners are transported or held in pursuance of the arrangements and to make recommendations to the Secretary of State.
- (2) It shall also be the duty of a prisoner escort monitor to investigate and report to the Secretary of State on—
  - (a) any allegations made against prisoner custody officers acting in pursuance of prisoner escort arrangements; and
  - (b) any alleged breaches of discipline on the part of prisoners for whose delivery or custody such officers so acting are responsible.
- (3) Any expenses incurred by members of lay panels may be defrayed by the Secretary of State to such extent as he may with the approval of the Treasury determine.