



Merchant Shipping Act 1995

1995 CHAPTER 21

PART XII

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Detention of ship and distress on ship

285 Sums ordered to be paid leviable by distress on the ship.

- (1) Where any court has power to make an order directing payment to be made of any seaman's wages, fines or other sums of money, then, if the person directed to pay is the master or owner of the ship and the money directed to be paid is not paid in accordance with the order, the court who made the order may—
 - (a) except in Scotland, direct the amount remaining unpaid to be levied by distress,
 - (b) in Scotland, grant warrant authorising the arrestment and sale, of the ship and its equipment.
- (2) The remedy made available by this section is in addition to any other powers for compelling the payment of money ordered to be paid.

Changes to legislation:

Merchant Shipping Act 1995, Section 285 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 22 May 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 145(2)(a)(ia) inserted by [2003 c. 44 Sch. 36 para. 13\(2\)](#)
- s. 145(2)(a)(ia) words substituted by [2015 c. 2 Sch. 11 para. 16\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The insertion of s. 145(2)(a)(ia) by 2003 c. 44, Sch. 36 para. 13 is still prospective.)
- s. 145(2A) inserted by [2003 c. 44 Sch. 36 para. 13\(3\)](#)
- s. 145(2A) words substituted by [2015 c. 2 Sch. 11 para. 16\(3\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The insertion of s. 145(2A) by 2003 c. 44, Sch. 36 para. 13 is still prospective.)