

*These notes refer to the Access to Justice Act 1999
(c.22) which received Royal Assent on 27th July 1999*

ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT 1999

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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IMMUNITY AND INDEMNITY (PART VI - SECTIONS 98-104)

Commencement

Appeals, courts, judges and court proceedings

351. With three exceptions, Part IV of the Act (sections 54-73) will come into force two months after Royal Assent. The exceptions are section 66 and Schedule 9 (Enforcement of community orders), section 67(2) (Time limits where accused sent for trial) and section 71 (Adjournment of inquests). These provisions will come into force on a day or days appointed by the Lord Chancellor by order.

- Section 66 and Schedule 9 will be brought into force as soon as possible after Royal Assent.
- Section 67(2) will be brought into force as soon as possible for those areas where the new procedures introduced by the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 are being piloted; it will be extended to other areas when the 1998 Act is implemented nation wide.
- Section 71 will be brought into force as soon as the necessary changes to the Coroners Rules 1984 can be made.