



Legitimacy Act 1926

1926 CHAPTER 60 16 and 17 Geo 5

An Act to amend the law relating to children born out of wedlock. [15th December 1926]

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Act modified by [Legitimacy Act 1959 \(c. 73\), s. 1\(2\)](#) (s. 1 of which said Act is repealed by [Legitimacy Act 1976 \(c. 31, SIF 49:7\)](#), [Sch. 2](#) (subject to savings in Sch. 1 para. 4(2)(3) in relation to any dignity or title of honour or the devolution of property along therewith and in Sch. 1 para. 5 in relation to Succession to the Throne))
- C2 Words of enactment omitted under authority of [Statute Law Revision Act 1948 \(c. 62\), s. 3](#)

1 Legitimation by subsequent marriage of parents.

- (1) F1
- (2) F2
- (3) F3
- (4) F4

Textual Amendments

- F1 [S. 1\(1\)](#) repealed by [Legitimacy Act 1976 \(c. 31, SIF 49:7\), s. 11\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2](#) (subject to savings in Sch. 1 para. 1(1) in relation to persons legitimated under s. 1 of the 1926 Act, in Sch. 1 para. 2(2)(3) in relation to certain dispositions before 1.1.1927 or 20.10.1959 and in relation to rights under the intestacy of certain persons dying before 1.1.1927 or 29.10.1959, in para. 4(2)(3) in relation to any dignity or title of honour, or the devolution of property along therewith and in Sch. 1 para. 5 in relation to Succession to the Throne)
- F2 [S. 1\(2\)](#) repealed by [Legitimacy Act 1959 \(c. 73\), s. 1\(1\)](#)
- F3 [S. 1\(3\)](#) repealed by [Children Act 1975 \(c. 72, SIF 49:10\), Sch. 4 Pt. II](#) (with savings in Sch. 1 para. 12(9) and in [Legitimacy Act 1976 \(c. 31, SIF 49:7\), s. 11\(1\)](#), [Sch. 1 paras. 2, 4, 5](#), in relation to instruments made before 1.1.1976)

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Legitimacy Act 1926. (See end of Document for details)

F4 S. 1(4) repealed by [Legitimacy Act 1976 \(c. 31, SIF 49:7\)](#), [Sch. 2](#) (subject to savings in Sch. 1 para. 1(1) in relation to persons legitimated under s. 1 of the 1926 Act, in Sch. 1 para 2(2)(3) in relation to certain dispositions before 1.1.1927 or 29.10.1959 and in relation to rights under the intestacy of certain persons dying before 1.1.1927 or 29.10.1959, in para. 4(2)(3) in relation to any dignity or title of honour, or the devolution of property along therewith and in Sch. 1 para. 5 in relation to Succession to the Throne)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C3 S. 1(1) amended by [Children Act 1975 \(c. 72, SIF 49:10\)](#), s. 8(9), [Sch. 1 Pt. III para. 12\(8\)](#) (which said Act is repealed (E.W., N.I.) (*prosp.*) by [Children Act 1989 \(c. 41, SIF 20\)](#), s. 108, [Sch. 14 para. 1\(1\)](#), [Sch. 15](#)

2 **F5**

Textual Amendments

F5 S. 2 repealed by [Matrimonial Causes Act 1950 \(c. 25\)](#), [Sch.](#)

3—5. **F6**

Textual Amendments

F6 [Ss. 3–5](#) repealed by [Children Act 1975 \(c. 72, SIF 49:10\)](#), [Sch. 4 Pt. II](#) (with savings in Sch. 1 para. 12(9) and in [Legitimacy Act 1976 \(c. 31, SIF 49:7\)](#), s. 11(1), [Sch. 1 paras. 2, 4, 5](#), in relation to instruments made before 1.1.1976)

6—8. **F7**

Textual Amendments

F7 [Ss. 6–8, 10–12](#), [Sch.](#) repealed by [Legitimacy Act 1976 \(c. 31, SIF 49:7\)](#), s. 11(2), [Sch. 2](#) (with savings, in Sch. 1 para. 1(1) in relation to persons recognised as legitimated under s. 8 of the 1926 Act, in Sch. 1 para. 2(1) in relation to certain instruments made before 1.1.1976, in Sch. 1 paras. 2(2)(3) in relation to certain dispositions before 1.1.1927 or 29.10.1959 and in relation to rights under the intestacy of certain persons dying before 1.1.1927, or 29.10.1959, in Sch. 1 para. 4(2)(3) in relation to any dignity or title of honour or the devolution of property along therewith and in Sch. 1 para. 5 in relation to Succession to the Throne)

9 **F8**

Textual Amendments

F8 S. 9 repealed (S.) with savings by [Succession \(Scotland\) Act 1964 \(c. 41\)](#), s. 34(2), [Sch. 3](#) and (E.W.) by [Family Law Reform Act 1969 \(c. 46\)](#), [s. 14\(7\)](#)

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Textual Amendments

F9 Ss. 6–8, 10–12, Sch. repealed by [Legitimacy Act 1976 \(c. 31, SIF 49:7\)](#), s. 11(2), [Sch. 2](#) (with savings, in Sch. 1 para. 1(1) in relation to persons recognised as legitimated under s. 8 of the 1926 Act, in Sch. 1 para. 2(1) in relation to certain instruments made before 1.1.1976, in Sch. 1 paras. 2(2)(3) in relation to certain dispositions before 1.1.1927 or 29.10.1959 and in relation to rights under the intestacy of certain persons dying before 1.1.1927, or 29.10.1959, in Sch. 1 para. 4(2)(3) in relation to any dignity or title of honour or the devolution of property along therewith and in Sch. 1 para. 5 in relation to Succession to the Throne)

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Textual Amendments

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Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Legitimacy Act 1926.