



# Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015

## 2015 CHAPTER 26

### PART 4

#### THE PUBS CODE ADJUDICATOR AND THE PUBS CODE

##### *Arbitration by Adjudicator*

#### **49 Timing of referral for arbitration by tied pub tenants**

- (1) This section makes provision as to the period within which a tied pub tenant may refer a dispute to the Adjudicator in accordance with section 48.
- (2) Except in the case mentioned in subsection (3), the dispute may not be referred until after the expiry of the period of 21 days beginning with the date on which the tenant notifies the pub-owning business of the alleged non-compliance.
- (3) Where the Pubs Code requires a pub-owning business to provide a parallel rent assessment within a period of time specified by the Adjudicator, a dispute which relates to an allegation that the pub-owning business has failed to comply with that requirement may not be referred until the day after the day on which the specified period ends.
- (4) In all cases, a dispute may not be referred after the expiry of the period of 4 months beginning with the first date on which the dispute could have been referred.