



Coroners Act (Northern Ireland) 1959

1959 CHAPTER 15

6 Coroner to hold inquests in district to which he is appointed.

- (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2) and of section fourteen a coroner shall hold inquests only within the district for which he is, or is deemed to have been, appointed under this Act.
- (2) Where the coroner for any district is unable owing to illness, absence or for any other cause to discharge his duties as such or neglects or fails to discharge those duties the^{F1}Lord Chief Justice may, after consultation with the Lord Chancellor,] in writing direct any coroner or other person possessing the qualifications referred to in sub-section (3) of section two to act, during such period or periods as the^{F1}Lord Chief Justice may, after consultation with the Lord Chancellor,] specify, in that district, and such coroner or other person shall during that period or periods have the same powers and perform the same duties within that district as the coroner appointed therefor.

^{F2}(3)

F1 Words in s. 6(2) substituted (3.4.2006) by [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\)](#), ss. 15(2), 148(1), Sch 5 para. 5(2); S.I. 2006/1014, [art. 2\(a\)](#), Sch. 1 para. 12(a)

F2 S. 6(3) repealed (1.11.2015) by [Legal Aid and Coroners' Courts Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2014 \(c. 11\)](#), ss. 8(3)(a), 12(1), [Sch. 3 Pt. 2](#) (with ss. 2(3), 9, Sch. 1 paras. 3(3)); S.R. 2015/359, art. 2(b)(d)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Coroners Act (Northern Ireland) 1959, Section 6.