

Compensation Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 29

PART 3

GENERAL

16 Commencement

- (1) The preceding provisions of this Act, other than sections 1, 2 and 3, shall come into force in accordance with provision made by order of the Secretary of State.
- (2) An order under subsection (1)—
 - (a) may make provision generally or only for specified purposes,
 - (b) may make different provision for different purposes,
 - (c) may make transitional, consequential or incidental provision, and
 - (d) shall be made by statutory instrument.
- (3) Section 3 shall be treated as having always had effect.
- (4) But the section shall have no effect in relation to-
 - (a) a claim which is settled before 3rd May 2006 (whether or not legal proceedings in relation to the claim have been instituted), or
 - (b) legal proceedings which are determined before that date.
- (5) Where a claim is settled on or after that date and before the date on which this Act is passed, a party to the settlement may apply to a relevant court to have the settlement varied; and—
 - (a) a court is a relevant court for that purpose if it had, or would have had, jurisdiction to determine the claim by way of legal proceedings,
 - (b) an application shall be brought as an application in, or by way of, proceedings on the claim, and
 - (c) a court to which an application is made shall vary the settlement to such extent (if any) as appears appropriate to reflect the effect of section 3.

- (6) Where legal proceedings are determined on or after that date and before the date on which this Act is passed, a party to the proceedings may apply to the court to vary the determination; and—
 - (a) "the court" means the court which determined the proceedings,
 - (b) the application shall be treated as an application in the proceedings, and
 - (c) the court shall vary the determination to such extent (if any) as appears appropriate to reflect the effect of section 3.

17 Extent

(1) This Act shall extend to England and Wales only.

(2) But section 3 (and section 16(3) to (6)) shall extend to—

- (a) England and Wales,
- (b) Scotland, and
- (c) Northern Ireland.

18 Short title

This Act may be cited as the Compensation Act 2006.