
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No. 329

The Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004 (Commencement No. 5, Savings and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004 (Commencement No. 5, Savings and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007.

Appointed day

2.—(1) 2nd July 2007 is the day appointed for the coming into force of the provisions of the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004 set out in column 1 of the table of commencements in the Schedule to this Order.

(2) The provisions referred to in paragraph (1) shall come into force only for the purposes set out in column 2 of the table of commencements in the Schedule to this Order.

Definitions

3. In this instrument—

“the 1995 Act” means the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995(1); and

“the 2004 Act” means the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004.

Savings and Transitional Provisions

4. The provisions of the 2004 Act brought into force by this Order shall, in respect of solemn proceedings in the High Court and the sheriff court and summary proceedings in the sheriff court, apply only to solemn and summary proceedings commenced on or after 2nd July 2007, with proceedings being taken to have been commenced when a report of the case has been received by the procurator fiscal.

St Andrew’s House,
Edinburgh
12th June 2007

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(1) 1995 c. 46. Section 271 was repealed and substituted with a new section and sections 271A to 271I were added by the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004 (asp 3), section 1; section 271I was amended by section 35(3) of the Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 6).