#### SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# Act of Adjournal (Amendment of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995) (Refixing diets) 2011

#### Citation, commencement etc.

- 1.—(1) This Act of Adjournal may be cited as the Act of Adjournal (Amendment of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995) (Refixing diets) 2011.
  - (2) It comes into force on 30th January 2012.
  - (3) A certified copy of this Act of Adjournal is to be inserted in the Books of Adjournal.

# Amendment of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995: refixing diets

- **2.**—(1) The Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 is amended in accordance with subparagraphs (2) to (5).
  - (2) After section 75B (refixing diets)(1) insert—

# "75C Refixing diets: non-suitable days

- (1) Where in any proceedings on indictment any diet has been fixed for a day which is no longer suitable to the court, it may, of its own accord, at any time before that diet—
  - (a) discharge the diet; and
  - (b) fix a new diet for a date earlier or later than that for which the discharged diet was fixed.
- (2) Before proceeding as mentioned in subsection (1) the court shall give the parties an opportunity to be heard.
  - (3) In subsections (1) and (2), "the court" means—
    - (a) in the case of proceedings in the High Court, a single judge of that Court;
    - (b) in the case of proceedings in the sheriff court, that court.".
- (3) The title of section 75B becomes "Refixing diets: non-sitting days".
- (4) After section 137ZA (refixing diets)(2) insert—

### "137ZB Refixing diets: non-suitable days

- (1) Where in a summary prosecution any diet has been fixed for a day which is no longer suitable to the court it may, of its own accord, at any time before that diet—
  - (a) discharge the diet; and
  - (b) fix a new diet for a date earlier or later than that for which the discharged diet was fixed.

<sup>(1)</sup> Section 75B was inserted by section 39 of the Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 6).

<sup>(2)</sup> Section 137ZA was inserted by section 39 of the Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 6).

- (2) Before proceeding as mentioned in subsection (1) the court shall give the parties an opportunity to be heard.".
- (5) The title of section 137ZA becomes "Refixing diets: non-sitting days".

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