

## Guardianship of Minors Act 1971

## **1971 CHAPTER 3**

Orders for custody and maintenance

## Orders for custody and maintenance where person is guardian to exclusion of surviving parent

- (1) Where the court makes an order under section 4(4) of this Act that a person shall be the sole guardian of a minor to the exclusion of his mother or father, the court may—
  - (a) make such order regarding—
    - (i) the custody of the minor; and
    - (ii) the right of access to the minor of his mother or father, as the court thinks fit having regard to the welfare of the minor; and
  - (b) make a further order requiring the mother or father to pay to the guardian such weekly or other periodical sum towards the maintenance of the minor as the court thinks reasonable having regard to the means of the mother or father.
- (2) The powers conferred by subsection (1) of this section may be exercised at any time and include power to vary or discharge any order previously made under those powers.