



# Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1984

## 1984 CHAPTER 36

### PART XI **S**

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

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## <sup>F1F2</sup>121A Warrants for arrest of escaped mental patients. **U.K.**

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**F1F2 122 Protection for acts done in pursuance of this Act. U.K.**

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**F1F2 123 Inquiries. S**

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**F1F2 124 General provisions as to regulations and orders. S**

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**F1F2** **126 Preservation of amendments.** **S**

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**F1F2** **127 Consequential and transitional provisions and repeals.** **U.K.**

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[<sup>F1</sup>130 **Short title and commencement.** **U.K.**

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