



# Housing (Scotland) Act 1987

1987 CHAPTER 26

## PART III

### RIGHTS OF PUBLIC SECTOR TENANTS

#### *Security of tenure*

#### **49 Rights of landlord where a secure tenancy appears to have been abandoned**

- (1) This section shall have effect where a landlord who has let a house under a secure tenancy has reasonable grounds for believing that—
  - (a) the house is unoccupied; and
  - (b) the tenant does not intend to occupy it as his home.
- (2) The landlord shall be entitled to enter the house at any time for the purpose of securing the house and any fittings, fixtures or furniture against vandalism.
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (2), the landlord and its servants or agents may open, by force if necessary, doors and lockfast places.
- (4) The landlord may take possession of the house in accordance with section 50.