



Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968

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SCHEDULE 1 — Amendment of Children Act 1958

- 1 After section 1 there shall be inserted the following section—...
- 2 (1) In section 2(1), for the words " and maintenance...
- 3 In section 9, after the word " foster-child " there...

SCHEDULE 2 — Amendment of Part IV of the Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937

PART I

General Adaptations

- 1 Subject to the provisions of Part II of this Schedule...
- 2 Any reference to a court of summary jurisdiction or to...

PART II

Specific Adaptations

- 3 (1) In section 40(1) for the words "apparently under the...
- 4 (1) In section 41, for subsection (1) there shall be...
- 5 For section 43 there shall be substituted the following section—...
- 6 In section 44, after the word " child" where first...
- 7 In section 46(1) for the words " child or young...
- 8 (1) In section 47(1) the words " until he can...
- 9 In section 48, for the words " any child or...
- 10 For section 50 there shall be substituted the following section—...
- 11 (1) In section 52(1), for the words from the beginning...
- 12 In section 53(5), for the words from the beginning to...
- 13 In section 54(1), after the word " report" there shall...
- 14 In section 57(2), for the words from the beginning to...
- 15 In section 58, the words from the beginning to "...
- 16 After section 58 there shall be inserted the following section—...
- 17 In section 59(2), after the words "for his" there shall...
- 18 In section 62, for the words " an approved school"...
- 19 In section 63(3), for the words " juvenile offenders "...
- 20 For section 67 there shall be substituted the following section—...

SCHEDULE 3 — Children's Panels

- 1 Appointment
- 2 A member of a children's panel shall hold office for...
- 3 Children's Panel Advisory Committee
- 4 The chairman of the Children's Panel Advisory Committee shall be...
- 5 It shall be the duty of the Children's Panel Advisory...
- 6 Recruitment and Training of Panel Members
- 7 Each local authority may make such arrangements as they consider...
- 8 Expenses of Panel Members

SCHEDULE 4 — Amendment of Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1967

- 1 In section 1, in subsection (6), for the words "...
- 2 (1) In section 2(1), after the words " civil proceedings...
- 3 In section 20(1), after the word "requires—" there shall be...

SCHEDULE 5 — Appeal Tribunals

- 1 For the purpose of enabling appeal tribunals to be constituted...
- 2 No officer of any Government department shall be qualified to...
- 3 Any person appointed to be a member of the panel...
- 4 Where any appeal is required to be determined by a...
- 5 The Secretary of State may— (a) pay to members of...
- 6 (1) The Secretary of State may make rules—
- 7 In this Schedule the expression "sheriff" does not include...

SCHEDULE 6 — Transfer of Assets and Liabilities

- 1 Every agreement to which the transferor was a party immediately...
- 2 Where the functions of the transferor are transferred to more...
- 3 Any legal or other proceedings to which the transferor is...
- 4 The Secretary of State may make regulations for facilitating the...
- 5 In this Schedule— (a) "transferor" means a body or person...

SCHEDULE 7 — Transitional Provisions*Registration of existing establishments*

- 1 (1) Until the expiration of a period of two years...

Approved schools

- 2 (1) The following enactments shall, notwithstanding the repeal or exclusion...

Contributions in respect of children taken into care

- 3 After the commencement of Part II of this Act and...

Approved school orders, fit person orders, and supervision orders

- 4 (1) This paragraph applies to children who immediately before the...

Jurisdiction of courts

- 5 (1) Subject to the next following sub-paragraph, on the commencement...
- 6 On the coming into operation of the said Part III...

Remand Home Grant

- 7 Until such time as the Secretary of State may direct,...

Probation Grant

- 8 Until such time as the Secretary of State may by...

Interpretation

- 9 In this Schedule the following expressions have the meanings assigned...

SCHEDULE 8 — Minor and Consequential Amendments

Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Act 1926

- 1 In section 9(4)(d), for the words " remand home "...

Children and Young Persons Act 1933

- 2 In section 70(2), in the proviso, after the words "...
3 In section 76(1B), after the words " probation order "...
4 In section 90(6), after the words " 1948 " there...
5 In section 107(1), after the definition of " street" there...

Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937

- 6 In section 38(3), for the words " an approved school...
7 (1) In section 87(1), for the words from " to...
8 After section 101(2) there shall be inserted the following subsection—...
9 (1) In section 103(1), for the words " whether charged...
10 In section 110(1), in the definition of "Child ", for...

National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1947

- 11 (1) In section 15(1), after paragraph (f) there shall be...
12 In section 27, at the end there shall be added...
13 In section 63, after the words " foregoing section "...

National Assistance Act 1948

- 14 In section 32(1), at the end there shall be inserted...
15 After section 41(1), there shall be inserted the following subsection—...
16 In section 65, at the end, there shall be added...

Children Act 1948

- 17 (1) In section 1(4), after the words "Secretary of State",...
18 In section 13(1), at the end, there shall be inserted...
19 In section 59(1), after the definition of " relative "...

Nurseries and Child-Minders Regulation Act 1948

- 20 In relation to Scotland, any reference to a local health...

Criminal Justice Act 1948

- 21 In section 9, at the end there shall be added...

Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 1949

- 22 (1) In section 2, for subsection (2) there shall be...
23 In section 3, in subsections (4) and (6), for the...
24 In section 5(1), for the words "the probation officer named...
25 For section 8(1) there shall be substituted the following subsection—...
26 In section 9(1), for the word " seventeen" there shall...
27 In section 10, for the words " a probation officer...
28 (1) In section 28(1), for the paragraphs (a) to (c)...
29 In section 30(1), in the subsection substituted thereby for section...
30 In section 78(1), after the definition of "large burgh and...
31 (1) In Schedule 2— (a) for any reference to a...

Maintenance Orders Act 1950

- 32 In section 8(1), after the words "the Children Act 1948"...
- 33 (1) In section 9, in subsection (1), after paragraph (a)...
- 34 In section 16(2)(b), after sub-paragraph (v) there shall be inserted...

Children and Young Persons Act 1956

- 35 Any reference to the Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act...

Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act 1956

- 36 (1) In section 8(1) in paragraph (b) after the word...

Adoption Act 1958

- 37 In section 4(3), paragraph (b) shall be omitted, and after...
- 38 In section 15(4), for the words " (which provides "...
- 39 In section 36(2)(a), for the words " or section ninety"...
- 40 In section 43(3), after the word " 1948 " there...
- 41 In section 57, in the definition of "place of safety",...

Matrimonial Proceedings (Children) Act 1958

- 42 In section 10, for subsection (4) there shall be substituted...
- 43 (1) In section 11(1), for the words "for the purpose"...

Children Act 1958

- 44 (1) In section 2(3)(b), for the words from "Part VI"...
- 45 (1) In section 6(b), after the words " 1937 "...
- 46 In section 7(4), after the words " section 1 of..."
- 47 (1) In section 17, in the definition of " place..."

Mental Health Act 1959

- 48 In section 10(1)(a), after head (iii) there shall be inserted...
- 49 In section 50, after paragraph (c), there shall be inserted...

Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1960

- 50 Subject to any specific amendment any reference to a local...
- 51 (1) In section 7(1), after the words " shall include..."
- 52 In section 10(1) in paragraph (a) after head (iii) there...
- 53 In section 30(2), for the words " to the local..."
- 54 In section 46, for paragraph (c), there shall be substituted...
- 55 In section 57(3)(b), after the word "child", there shall be...
- 56 In section 59(1) for the word " home " there...
- 57 In section 66(7), for paragraph (a) there shall be substituted...
- 58 In section 72(1).— for the definition of " guardian "...
- 59 In section 111, after the definition of "hospital order" there...

Health Visiting and Social Work (Training) Act 1962

- 60 In section 3(5), after " 1948 ", insert " or..."

Education (Scotland) Act 1962

- 61 In section 36(3), for the words from "if satisfied" to...
- 62 (1) In section 44(1), for the words from "that the...
- 63 In section 65(1), (3), (4) and (5), for the words...
- 64 In section 66(1), for the words " the local health...
- 65 In section 85(5)(c), from the beginning to " 1937 "...
- 66 In section 141(2), after paragraph (c), there shall be added...
- 67 In section 145, there shall be inserted the following definitions—...

Children and Young Persons Act 1963

- 68 In section 55, the words from " section 88(5)" to...
- 69 (1) In section 57(2), any reference to a juvenile court...

Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 1963

- 70 In section 1(4), for the word " seventeen " there...
- 71 In section 7(1), for the word "fourteen" there shall be...
- 72 In section 29, for the words " approved school "...

Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965

- 73 (1) In section 15, in subsections (1) and (3), for...

Family Allowances Act 1965

- 74 (1) In section 11(1), in paragraph (a) after the word...

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