



Interpretation Act 1978

CHAPTER 30

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Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

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Definitions

Construction of certain expressions relating to children

Construction of certain expressions relating to offences

SCHEDULE 2 — Application of Act to Existing Enactments

PART I — ACTS

- 1 The following provisions of this Act apply to Acts whenever...
- 2 The following apply to Acts passed after the year 1850:—...
- 3 The following apply to Acts passed after the year 1889:—...
- 4 (1) Subject to the following provisions of this paragraph—
- 5 The following definitions shall be treated as included in Schedule...

PART II — SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION

- 6 Sections 4(a), 9 and 19(1), and so much of Schedule...
- 7 The definition in Schedule 1 of " county court", in...

SCHEDULE 3 — Enactments Repealed