



# State Immunity Act 1978

## 1978 CHAPTER 33

### PART I

#### PROCEEDINGS IN UNITED KINGDOM BY OR AGAINST OTHER STATES

##### *Exceptions from immunity*

#### 7 Patents, trade-marks etc.

A State is not immune as respects proceedings relating to—

- (a) any patent, trade-mark, design or plant breeders' rights belonging to the State and registered or protected in the United Kingdom or for which the State has applied in the United Kingdom;
- (b) an alleged infringement by the State in the United Kingdom of any patent, trade-mark, design, plant breeders' rights or copyright; or
- (c) the right to use a trade or business name in the United Kingdom.

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#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1** S. 7 extended by Patents, Designs and Marks Act 1986 (c. 39, SIF 67A), s. 2, **Sch. 2 para. 1(2)(g)**
- C2** S. 7(a)(b) amended (31.10.1994) by 1994 c. 26, s. 106(1), **Sch. 4 para. 1(2)**; S.I. 1994/2550, **art. 2**

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the State Immunity Act 1978, Section 7.