



Access to Justice Act 1999

1999 CHAPTER 22

PART IV

APPEALS, COURTS, JUDGES AND COURT PROCEEDINGS

High Court

62 Power to vary committal in default.

In the [^{F1}Senior Courts Act 1981], after section 43 insert—

“43ZA Power of High Court to vary committal in default.

- (1) Where the High Court quashes the committal of a person to prison or detention by a magistrates’ court or the Crown Court for—
 - (a) a default in paying a sum adjudged to be paid by a conviction; or
 - (b) want of sufficient distress to satisfy such a sum,the High Court may deal with the person for the default or want of sufficient distress in any way in which the magistrates’ court or Crown Court would have power to deal with him if it were dealing with him at the time when the committal is quashed.
- (2) If the High Court commits him to prison or detention, the period of imprisonment or detention shall, unless the High Court otherwise directs, be treated as having begun when the person was committed by the magistrates’ court or the Crown Court (except that any time during which he was released on bail shall not be counted as part of the period).”

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Access to Justice Act 1999, Section 62. (See end of Document for details)*

Textual Amendments

- F1** **S. 62:** for the words "Supreme Court Act 1981" wherever they occur there is substituted (1.10.2009) the words "Senior Courts Act 1981" by virtue of [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\)](#), ss. 59, 148, [Sch. 11 para. 1\(2\)](#); S.I. 2009/1604, [art. 2](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Access to Justice Act 1999, Section 62.