STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1999 No. 1197 (C. 34)

MAGISTRATES' COURTS

The Magistrates' Courts (Procedure) Act 1998 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1999

Made - - - - 20th April 1999

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 5(2) and (3)(b) of the Magistrates' Courts (Procedure) Act 1998(1), hereby makes the following Order:

- 1. This Order may be cited as the Magistrates' Courts (Procedure) Act 1998 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1999, and in this Order "the Act" means the Magistrates' Courts (Procedure) Act 1998.
 - 2. Subject to article 3 of this Order, section 1 of the Act shall come into force on 4th May 1999.
- **3.** Section 1 of the Act shall apply in any case where a summons was issued on or after 4th May 1999, and section 12 of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980(2) shall apply to any case where the summons was issued before that date as if the Act had not been passed.

Signed by authority of the Lord Chancellor

G.W. Hoon

Minister of State,

Dated 20th April 1999

Lord Chancellor's Department

^{(1) 1998} c. 15

^{(2) 1980} c. 43; section 12 was substituted by Schedule 5 to the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c. 33).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force section 1 of the Magistrates' Courts (Procedure) Act 1998 on 4th May 1999. Section 5 of that Act came into force on Royal Assent; sections 2, 3 and 4 were brought into force on 1st September 1998 by the Magistrates' Courts (Procedure) Act 1998 (Commencement No. 1) Order 1998(3).

⁽³⁾ S.I.1998/1837 (C. 38).