

# Mental Capacity Act 2005

### **2005 CHAPTER 9**

#### PART 2

#### THE COURT OF PROTECTION AND THE PUBLIC GUARDIAN

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- (1) For the purposes of this Act, there is to be an officer, to be known as the Public Guardian.
- (2) The Public Guardian is to be appointed by the Lord Chancellor.
- (3) There is to be paid to the Public Guardian out of money provided by Parliament such salary as the Lord Chancellor may determine.
- (4) The Lord Chancellor may, after consulting the Public Guardian—
  - (a) provide him with such officers and staff, or
  - (b) enter into such contracts with other persons for the provision (by them or their sub-contractors) of officers, staff or services,
  - as the Lord Chancellor thinks necessary for the proper discharge of the Public Guardian's functions.
- (5) Any functions of the Public Guardian may, to the extent authorised by him, be performed by any of his officers.

## **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Mental Capacity Act 2005, Section 57.