Criminal Law Amendment Act (Northern Ireland) 1923

1923 CHAPTER 8

An Act to amend the law in Northern Ireland with respect to offences against persons under the age of sixteen, and with respect to penalties under section thirteen of the Criminal Law Amendment Act, 1885. [10th May 1923]

1 Consent of young person to be no defence.

[F1] It shall be no defence to a charge or indictment for an indecent assault on a child or young person under the age of [[F2] seventeen] to prove that he or she consented to the act of indecency.

F1 1986 NI 4
F2 1950 c.5 (NI)

2 Amendment of ss.5 & 6 of 1885 c.69 as to defence of reasonable belief.

[F3] . . . . . .

F3 S. 2 repealed (2.2.2009) by Sexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/1769 (N.I. 2)), arts. 1(3), 81, 83, Sch. 1 para. 7(2), **Sch. 3**; S.R. 2008/510, **art. 2**

3 Amendment of penalties under s.13 of principal Act.

Any person who is convicted of an offence against section thirteen[F4] of the principal Act (which relates to summary proceedings against brothel keepers, &c.) shall be liable on summary conviction—

(a) to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds or to imprisonment. …[F5] for a term not exceeding three months; and

(b) on a second or subsequent conviction, to a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty pounds or to imprisonment. …[F5] for a term not exceeding six months;

or, in any such case, to both fine and imprisonment.

F4 1956 c.69
F5 1953 c.14 (NI)

4 Construction and short title.

Subs. (1) rep. by 1954 c.33 (NI); subs.(2) rep. by SLR (NI) 1952

(3) This Act may be cited as the Criminal Law Amendment Act (Northern Ireland), 1923; and the Criminal Law Amendment Acts, 1885 to 1912, and this Act may, to the extent to which they apply to Northern Ireland, be cited together as the Criminal Law Amendment Acts (Northern Ireland), 1885 to 1923.