

# Children and Young Persons Act (Northern Ireland) 1968

### **1968 CHAPTER 34**

#### **PART II**

## PREVENTION OF CRUELTY AND EXPOSURE TO MORAL AND PHYSICAL DANGER

MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES IN RELATION TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS

### Failing to provide for safety of children at entertainments.

- (1) Where there is provided in any premises an entertainment for children, or an entertainment at which the majority of the persons attending are children, then, if the number of children attending the entertainment exceeds one hundred, it shall be the duty of the person providing the entertainment to station and keep stationed wherever necessary a sufficient number of adult attendants, properly instructed as to their duties, to prevent more children or other persons being admitted to the premises, or to any part thereof, than the premises or part can properly accommodate, and to control the movement of the children and other persons admitted while entering and leaving the premises or any part thereof, and to take all other reasonable precautions for the safety of the children.
- (2) Where the occupier of any premises permits, for hire or reward, the premises to be used for the purpose of an entertainment, he shall take all reasonable steps to secure the observance of the provisions of this section.
- (3) If any person on whom any obligation is imposed by this section fails to fulfil that obligation, he shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding[F1 level 3 on the standard scale], and also, if the premises in which the entertainment is given are licensedF2... under any of the enactments relating to the licensing of theatres or other premises used for public entertainment, the licence shall be liable to be revoked by the authority by whom the licence was granted or

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by any authority having jurisdiction in relation to any application for the transfer or renewal of the licence.

- (4) A constable may enter any premises in which he has reason to believe that such an entertainment as aforesaid is being, or is about to be, provided, with a view to seeing whether the provisions of this section are or are about to be carried into effect, and an officer authorised for the purpose by an authority by whom licences are granted under any of the enactments referred to in subsection (3) shall have the like power of entering any premises so licensed by that authority; and if any person wilfully obstructs any constable or officer in the due exercise of any powers conferred on him by or under this subsection he shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding[FI] level 3 on the standard scale].
- (5) A person (other than a constable in uniform) exercising any power of entry conferred by this section shall, if so required, produce his credentials.
- (6) This section shall not apply to any entertainment given in a private dwelling-house.

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