

*These notes refer to the Justice Act (Northern Ireland)  
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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### **Part 6: Alternatives to Prosecution**

##### *Chapter 1 - Penalty Notices*

##### *Section 61: Form of penalty notice*

This section dictates that a penalty notice must state the alleged offence; specifics about the alleged offence so as to provide reasonable information about it; specify the period before prosecution will be brought about (suspended enforcement period); the amount of the penalty, to whom and where the penalty must be paid; and inform the alleged offender of the right to request a trial.