

SEXUAL OFFENCES (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2008

S.I. 2008 No. 1769 (N.I. 2)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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POLICY BACKGROUND

The Provisions

Part 6 – Miscellaneous sexual offences

Other offences

Article 70: Exposure

7.141. **Article 70** makes it an offence for a person intentionally to expose his genitals where he intends that someone will see them and be caused alarm or distress. It is not necessary for A's genitals to have been seen by anyone or for anyone to have been alarmed or distressed. For example, if a person exposes his genitals to some passers-by, he may (depending on his state of mind) commit the offence regardless of whether they actually see his genitals or whether they have been alarmed or distressed by seeing them.