



# Animal Health Act 1981

## 1981 CHAPTER 22

### PART II

#### DISEASE

#### *Infection*

#### [<sup>F1</sup>28A Deliberate infection

- (1) A person commits an offence if without lawful authority or excuse (proof of which shall lie on him) he knowingly does anything which causes or is intended to cause an animal to be infected with a disease specified in Schedule 2A.
- (2) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1) is liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum or to both;
  - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine or to both.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by order amend Schedule 2A.
- (4) A statutory instrument containing an order under subsection (3) is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.]

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#### Textual Amendments

**F1** Ss. 28A, 28B inserted (E.W.) (14.1.2003) by [2002 c. 42, s. 12\(1\)](#); [S.I. 2002/3044, art. 2](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Animal Health Act 1981, Section 28A.