



Protection of Animals (Penalties) Act 1987

1987 CHAPTER 35

An Act to amend the Protection of Animals Act 1911 to increase the penalties for offences against animals under section 1(1). [15th May 1987]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Amendment of Protection of Animals Act.

- (1) In section 1(1) of the Protection of Animals Act 1911 (offences of cruelty to animals), for the words from “shall be liable” onwards substitute “shall be liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale, or both”.
- (2) The above amendment does not apply in relation to offences committed before the commencement of this Act.

2 Short title, repeals, commencement and extent.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Protection of Animals (Penalties) Act 1987.
- (2) The following enactments are repealed—
 - (a) the Protection of Animals Act (1911) Amendment Act 1912;
 - (b) in Schedule 6 to the Criminal Law Act 1977, the entry relating to the Protection of Animals Act 1911.
- (3) This Act shall come into force at the end of the period of two months beginning with the day on which it is passed.
- (4) This Act does not extend to Scotland or Northern Ireland.