

# Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996

# **1996 CHAPTER 25**

### PART II

# **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS**

# 22 Introduction

- (1) For the purposes of this Part a criminal investigation is an investigation conducted by police officers with a view to it being ascertained—
  - (a) whether a person should be charged with an offence, or
  - (b) whether a person charged with an offence is guilty of it.
- (2) In this Part references to material are to material of all kinds, and in particular include references to—
  - (a) information, and
  - (b) objects of all descriptions.
- (3) In this Part references to recording information are to putting it in a durable or retrievable form (such as writing or tape).