



# Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

## 2005 CHAPTER 15

### PART 2

#### INVESTIGATIONS, PROSECUTIONS, PROCEEDINGS AND PROCEEDS OF CRIME

### CHAPTER 6

#### PROCEEDS OF CRIME

#### **105 Money laundering: form and manner of disclosures**

- (1) In the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (c. 29), Part 7 (money laundering) is amended as follows.
- (2) In each of sections 330(9)(b), 337(5)(b) and 338(5)(b) (disclosure to nominated officer is ineffective if employer's procedures not followed), omit "and in accordance with the procedure established by the employer for the purpose".
- (3) In section 334 (penalties), after subsection (2) insert—

“(3) A person guilty of an offence under section 339(1A) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.”
- (4) In section 338(1) (authorised disclosures), omit paragraph (b) (disclosure must be made in prescribed form and manner) but not the “and” at the end.
- (5) In section 339 (form and manner of disclosures), for subsections (2) and (3) substitute—

“(1A) A person commits an offence if he makes a disclosure under section 330, 331, 332 or 338 otherwise than in the form prescribed under subsection (1) or otherwise than in the manner so prescribed.

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- (1B) But a person does not commit an offence under subsection (1A) if he has a reasonable excuse for making the disclosure otherwise than in the form prescribed under subsection (1) or (as the case may be) otherwise than in the manner so prescribed.
- (2) The power under subsection (1) to prescribe the form in which a disclosure must be made includes power to provide for the form to include a request to a person making a disclosure that the person provide information specified or described in the form if he has not provided it in making the disclosure.
- (3) Where under subsection (2) a request is included in a form prescribed under subsection (1), the form must—
- (a) state that there is no obligation to comply with the request, and
  - (b) explain the protection conferred by subsection (4) on a person who complies with the request.”