



Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 38

PART 2

WEAPONS ETC.

Minimum sentences for firearms offences

30 Minimum sentences for certain firearms offences

- (1) The 1968 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) [^{F1}In section 51A (which imposes minimum sentence requirements for certain offences involving the possession of various firearms), in subsection (1)—
 - (a) in paragraph (a)(ii), for “and” substitute “ or ”;
 - (b) after paragraph (a)(ii) insert—
 - “(iii) an offence under any of the provisions of this Act listed in subsection (1A) in respect of a firearm or ammunition specified in section 5(1)(a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae), (af) or (c) or section 5(1A)(a) of this Act, and”.]
- (3) [^{F1}After that subsection insert—
 - “(1A) The provisions are—
 - (a) section 16 (possession of firearm with intent to injure);
 - (b) section 16A (possession of firearm with intent to cause fear of violence);
 - (c) section 17 (use of firearm to resist arrest);
 - (d) section 18 (carrying firearm with criminal intent);
 - (e) section 19 (carrying a firearm in a public place);
 - (f) section 20(1) (trespassing in a building with firearm).”]

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- (4) In Schedule 6 (prosecution and punishment of offences) in column 3, in paragraph (a) of the entries relating to sections 19 and 20(1), after “Summary”, in each place, insert “ except if the firearm is a firearm specified in section 5(1)(a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae) or (af) or section 5(1A)(a) of this Act. ”
- (5) This section applies only to offences committed after the commencement of this section.

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 30(2)(3) repealed (E.W.) (1.12.2020) by Sentencing Act 2020 (c. 17), s. 416(1), **Sch. 29** (with ss. 413(4), 416(7), Sch. 27); S.I. 2020/1236, reg. 2

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 30 modified in part (1.12.2020 immediately before the consolidation date (see 2020 c. 9, ss. 3, 5(2) (3) and 2020 c. 17, ss. 2, 416)) by Sentencing (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Act 2020 (c. 9), **ss. 1, 5(2)(3)** (with Sch. 1 para. 34); S.I. 2012/1236, reg. 2

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 30 in force at 6.4.2007 by S.I. 2007/858, **art. 2(d)**

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