

*These notes refer to the Forced Marriage (Civil Protection)
Act 2007 (c.20) which received Royal Assent on 26 July 2007*

FORCED MARRIAGE (CIVIL PROTECTION) ACT 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Schedule 1 – Protection against forced marriage: Northern Ireland

Part 2 – Enforcement

Offence of contravening an order

98. **Part 2** provides that a breach of a forced marriage protection order is an offence and a person who commits such an offence will be liable on summary conviction to either a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale, or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months, or to both. **Paragraph 7** follows the model of the penalty contained in the Family Homes and Domestic Violence (Northern Ireland) Order 1998 for breaching a non-molestation order or a combined non-molestation and occupation order.