



London Cab Act 1896

1896 CHAPTER 27 59 and 60 Vict

1 Penalties for defrauding cabmen. **U.K.**

If any person commits any of the following offences with respect to a cab, namely:—

- (a) hires a cab, knowing or having reason to believe that he cannot pay the lawful fare, or with intent to avoid payment of the lawful fare; or
- (b) fraudulently endeavours to avoid payment of a fare lawfully due from him; or
- (c) having failed or refused to pay a fare lawfully due from him, either refuses to give to the driver an address at which he can be found, or, with intent to deceive, gives a false address,

he shall be liable on summary conviction to pay, in addition to the lawful fare, a fine not exceeding [^{F1}level 1 on the standard scale], or, in the discretion of the court, to be imprisoned for a term not exceeding fourteen days; and the whole or any part of any fine imposed may be applied in compensation to the driver.

Textual Amendments

F1 Words substituted by virtue of [Criminal Justice Act 1982 \(c. 48, SIF 39:1\)](#), **ss. 38, 46**

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the London Cab Act 1896, Section 1.