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CRIMINAL LAW

**The Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 2000
(Commencement No. 3) Order 2003**

Made - - - - -

24th July 2003

In exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 7(3) of the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 2000(a), the Secretary of State hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 2000 (Commencement No. 3) Order 2003.
2. To the extent, if any, that section 7(2) of the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 2000 is not in force it shall come into force on 1st August 2003.

Home Office
24th July 2003

Paul Goggins
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State

(a) 2000 c. 44.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force on 1st August 2003 section 7(2) of the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 2000 to the extent, if any, that it is not already in force. Section 7(2) provides that, for the purposes of the Scotland Act 1998, the Sexual Offences Amendment Act is to be taken to be a pre-commencement enactment.

The Order is intended to address the doubts expressed by the Subordinate Legislation Committee of the Scottish Parliament, when considering the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 2000 (Commencement No. 2) (Scotland) Order 2000 (SSI 2000/452), as to whether section 7(2) had been brought into force.

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