SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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CRIMINAL LAW

The Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012 (Commencement) Order 2012

Made - - - - 24th January 2012 Laid before the Scottish Parliament - - - 26th January 2012 Coming into force - 1st March 2012

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 12(2) of the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012(1).

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012 (Commencement) Order 2012 and comes into force on 1st March 2012.

Appointed day

2. 1st March 2012 is the day appointed for the coming into force of all provisions of the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012 so far as not already in force.

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 24th January 2012

R CUNNINGHAM Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force on 1st March 2012 those provisions of the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012 which are not already in force.

The Act received Royal Assent on 19th January 2012. Sections 12 and 13 came into force on the day of Royal Assent. The remaining provisions of the Act come into force on 1st March 2012.