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Offence

Offence to demand payment where section 1 contravened

6.—(1) A person commits an offence if, in a case where a payment in respect of a charge would be recoverable from the person in accordance with section 1(1), that person demands payment, or asserts a present or prospective right to payment, of the charge or any part of it, without having reasonable cause to believe that the requirements of section 2, 3, 4 or 5 have been met.

(2) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1) is liable—

- (a) on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum;
- (b) on conviction on indictment to a fine.

(3) For the purposes of this section any invoice or similar document stating the amount of any payment shall be regarded as asserting a right to the payment unless it complies with the conditions set out in paragraph 4 of the Schedule.