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2016 CHAPTER 18

PART 9

POWER OF POLICE TO REMOVE PERSON TO PLACE OF SAFETY

Power of police to remove person from public place to place of safety

PROSPECTIVE

Search of person on exercise of power to remove

141.—(1) Subsection (2) applies where a person in a public place is informed that he or she is to be (or is being) removed to a place of safety under section 139.

(2) The person is to be regarded for the purposes of Article 34 of PACE (search upon arrest) as having been arrested at the time when he or she was so informed.

(3) Where—

- (a) a person (“R”) is removed from a public place under section 139, and
- (b) it is not practicable to inform R as mentioned in subsection (1) before R is removed from the public place,

R is to be regarded for the purposes of Article 34 of PACE as having been arrested at the time when it was decided to remove R from that place to a place of safety.

(4) Article 34 of PACE applies by virtue of this section as if—

- (a) paragraphs (2)(a)(ii) and (b), (6) and (7) were omitted;

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(b) in paragraph (3) the reference to evidence were omitted.

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