



Criminal Jurisdiction Act 1975

1975 CHAPTER 59

Prosecutions

[^{F1}12 Consents to prosecutions, etc.

- (1) This section applies to any enactment which prohibits the initiation or carrying on of proceedings for any offence except—
 - (a) with the consent (however expressed) of a Law Officer of the Crown, or of the Director of Public Prosecutions, or
 - (b) where the proceedings are initiated or carried on by or on behalf of a Law Officer of the Crown, or the Director of Public Prosecutions,and so applies whether or not there are other exceptions to the prohibition (and in particular whether or not the consent is an alternative to the consent of any other authority or person).
- (2) An enactment to which this section applies—
 - (a) shall not prevent the arrest without warrant, or the issue or execution of a warrant for the arrest, of a person for any offence, or the remand in custody or on bail of a person charged with any offence, and
 - (b) shall be subject to any enactment concerning the apprehension or detention of children or young persons.

(3) In this section—

“Law Officer of the Crown” means the Attorney General or the Attorney General for Northern Ireland, the Solicitor General and, in Scotland, the Lord Advocate,

“Director of Public Prosecutions” includes the Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland,

“consent” includes sanction, fiat, direction or order,

“enactment” includes any provision having effect under or by virtue of an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom or the Parliament of Northern Ireland,

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and this section applies to enactments passed or made before the passing of this Act, or later.

(4) This section extends to all parts of the United Kingdom.]

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 12 repealed (E.W.) by [Prosecution of Offences Act 1979 \(c. 31\)](#), **Sch. 2 Pt. II**

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